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A Monthly News-Letter for



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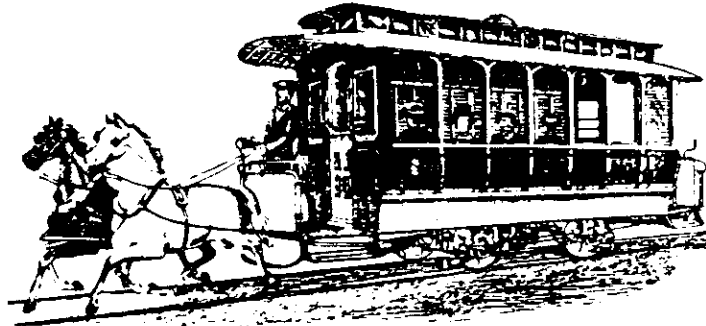
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OUR 631st ISSUE

February 8. We have been diminished by the loss of four more of our members. My remarks about them are within this issue.

I mailed out 55 of the Boston Millennium subway tokens, far more than I expected to be requested. Fortunately they were on sale thru February 4. But now there are no more to be had, and I have no idea what will become of those that were not sold, or if an unlabeled version will be used as a regular 85¢ fare. Stay tuned.

Michael Jones reports that the pure silver commemorative of which 500 were struck for Charlotte, NC, have been sold out. We mentioned this one last month. They still have the regular transit token (bi-metal) for sale at \$1 each, and you may order one from "Park it!" at 229 S. Brevard St., Suite 102, Charlotte, NC 28202. They told Mike it wasn't necessary to send an SASE (but it still might be a good idea). I don't think we'll be getting this one for the New Issues Service.

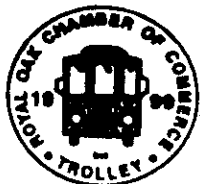
AVA President John Hoffmann (8334 Heron Circle - Ooltewah, TN 37363) needs pictures of trolleys, ferryboats, etc., for a display board the A.V.A. is preparing for display at various conventions of groups who might be interested in transportation tokens. He'd also like to be able to hand out freebie packets each containing a few tokens. If any members have material of this sort they could donate for this purpose, please write John. The freebie tokens could be TT, PT, or car wash.

Karl Gabsch was successful bidder on several rare tokens in the AVA Convention Auction last August. But the tokens were lost in the mail when they were mailed to him. As the package was insured he was subsequently reimbursed. But we'd certainly like to know what happened to the tokens. If any of you see the following tokens offered as a group by themselves, we'd like to know where they came from: IL 150 P; IN 390 D,H; MO 960 C; OH 165 E; WI 920 I.

Louis Crawford reports that the "Beach Boy Trolley" in Perdido Key, FL, is using a generic token (designs on both sides, but no wording). AK 100 A & B are in use as 35¢ fares. Gary, IN, is using a bronze-tinged version of IN 330 N. OR 520 A,B,C, now have face values of \$1, 50¢, 25¢, respectively. He also came up with a current token, 22mm brass, inscribed "Lakemont Park / Altoona, Pa." on obverse, and "Leap The Dips / 1902 / rwm" on reverse. Used as a \$2.50 fare on a roller coaster. But lacking specific wording about being good for a ride, probably it doesn't fit our strict criterion for listing as an amusement ride token. Still some would like to have one, I suspect. I would.



Last summer while in California I learned that 3 tokens had been made for a rubber-tired "trolley" operation in Royal Oak, MI. They had been issued by the Chamber of Commerce there, and I spent several afternoons working the phones, trying to learn more about them and see about getting some. I was told that the trolley had not been successful and had ceased operations after just one season. They had 3 different tokens made, for the three sponsors, but now of course the tokens were out of use. Just last week I resumed my attempt and finally succeeded in getting just 4 sets of the tokens, which are listed in this month's catalogue supplement. After getting the four sets I called back to express my thanks, and asked if we might buy 240 of each for our New Issues Service, inasmuch as the tokens are no longer in use. Instantly the lady's tone changed, and I was told "We don't sell tokens to collectors!" So it may be a while on those. Pictures of the tokens are below, the common obverse to the left, the 3 different reverses to the right.



For the AVA's 50th anniversary we issued a limited number of very beautiful pure pewter commemorative plates, picturing the AVA seal and appropriate wording. They are 11" diameter, and through the good offices of Michael Jones we were able to get them made much less expensively than we otherwise would have. There are still a few available, and if you'd like one the cost is \$28.20 (including postage). Order from Joel Reznick at P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116.

IN MEMORIAM

LORETTA KOEB, AVA 2110, of Belleville, Illinois, was a very special presence to those of us who knew her. Her fabulous sense of fun and humor added a unique tone to our conventions, which will never seem the same now, without her. She died last August 27, at age 83.

CLARK HAMMEL, AVA 2457, of Yuma, Arizona, joined us in 1989 when he was already retired. I never met him but we corresponded often and I always used commemorative stamps on his copies of The Fare Box, as he requested. He died last September 9, at age 75.

PETER G. COOK, AVA 2324, of Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, died October 26 at age 70. His wife Shirley wrote, "Peter passed away on October 26 after an 18½ month battle with lung cancer. I cannot begin to tell you how much time and enjoyment he spent cataloguing all his tokens."

DAVID LAX, AVA 1919, of Brooklyn, New York, was a truck driver by profession. He joined us in 1980, and died December 29, at age 76.

INTRODUCING GEORGE J. DRAKE, AVA 2373, OF PARKWOOD, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

I was born in Chicago in 1943, and lived most of my childhood and young adult life in and around Chicago and surrounding suburbs. I served in both the Army and Air Force (honorable discharges), where in the early 1970s I saw combat in Vietnam. My main field of work was in Long Range Communications, working for such companies as ITT, Kentron of Hawaii, Bell Helicopter, and others. This work involved putting up or operating communication sites in such countries as the Antarctic, Germany, France, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Thailand, Singapore, India and others. For the last 15 years I have lived in Australia.

My collecting interests include not only tokens but coins, stamps, paper money and the odd and curious. My main field of interest, outside of tokens, is Thailand (Siam).

I would be pleased to correspond with anyone who has any tokens, etc., from Thailand and wants information or to trade.

GEORGE J. DRAKE - 9 MURDOCH COURT - PARKWOOD, WESTERN AUSTRALIA 6147

BOOK REVIEW

The 2000 Edition of CANADIAN ARCADE AND MACHINE TOKENS HANDBOOK by Jack P. Sauchenko was released early in November, 1999. It is available postpaid at \$25.95 plus GST to Canadian residents, and at \$20.95 U.S. to residents of the USA. Order from Jack P. Sauchenko - 13559 124 A Avenue - Edmonton, Alberta T5L 3B4. Phone or fax: 403-455-1566.

A smaller (5½x8½) pocket sized format bound by plastic coils, using plastic binding combs of 96 pages is available with no pictures and condensed print so the collector can carry his stock records to various places of business such as dealers, coin shows, conventions, auctions, etc. This is available postpaid at \$13.95 +GST in Canada, or \$11.95 in USA. The larger 150-page handbook with card cover is produced by photocopy on 8½x11" pages with plastic binding comb.

The text lists 2,505 Canadian arcade, machine, transit, parking, bridge, amusement and related tokens and their varieties. There is a short listing of tokens that are used in Canada, but from U.S. cities, as well as a section on numbered tokens. A short line before each entry allows the collector to add a check mark or number for inventory purposes.

Photos of most tokens are included in the Handbook. For each token there is a short description of both sides and data on its denomination, date (if dated), composition, weight, diameter, edge type and a valuation. Tokens are listed by the municipality from which they were issued. Municipalities are listed alphabetically under the province or territory in which they are situated. A 12-page index at the front of the book lists the tokens alphabetically by issuer, with the issuing municipality and province or territory in which it is situated, on the same line.

- Jerry Remick

DIP/SWIPE/SMART CARDS

By George J. Drake

Mr. R. Thurston Clark (AVA 2722) and I are trying to put a database together for dip/swipe/smart cards. I am in the process of actually inputting the information received into the computer. As many transportation firms are now using this technology we feel that it is an appropriate subdivision of our hobby.

What we need is (of course) information from you. do you have any of these types of cards in your possession? Do you have any other information about these types of cards? Any and all are welcome. Any cards and documents submitted for review will be returned if requested. I will be returning to Chicago in July this year, so please contact Mr. Clark until I get settled back in the city.

My public thanks to Curtis H. Judge (AVA 1566) for sending me a wonderful Hong Kong book on their subway system!

In the future we hope to publish a listing of cards and other information. But at present it is such a new field that the information is scattered across a wide area. All submissions received will be acknowledge in THE FARE BOX (subject to space and the Editor's review).

TWO NEW ISSUES FROM SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

Don Holmgren sends a clipping from the San Jose Mercury News of California reporting two new tokens now in use there, with photos. The article calls them "silver and bronze coins," which I presume to mean WM and brass. They seem very attractive, one with a big A for adult, and one with a big Y for youth. As soon as we learned about these, Bill Garrison arranged for a supply for the New Issues Service, and they're on their way.

TWO TOKENS FROM CONNEAUT LAKE PARK, PENNSYLVANIA

By Paul Nelson

B 25 Sd LIBERTY TOKEN/SINCE 1892/(PARK LOGO: TREES & ROLLER COASTER)/CONNEAUT
LAKE PARK/BLUE STREAK COMMEMORATIVE EDITION/REBUILT BY DON C. SCHONZ/1997
Preserve Your Rights - Know Your Constitution/Yours in Liberty/G. John Harris/
S/rwm/RIDES-FOOD-GAMES
LIBERTY TOKEN/SINCE 1892/(PARK LOGO: TREES & ROLLER COASTER)/CONNEAUT
LAKE PARK/A GOOD FRIEND/FOR 27 YEARS/1998/rwm
B 25 Sd In Fond Memory of Don Guckert/1932-1996/(BUST OF MR. GUCKERT)

Conneaut Lake Park in Conneaut Lake (not to be confused with Conneaut), PA, opened as Exhibition Park in 1892, and like many early parks was partially financed by a railroad. In this case, the forerunner of the P&LE. The first mechanical amusement appears to be a merry-go-round added in 1899. By 1902 promotional literature for the park began to feature a growing list of amusements at the park.

The park is special today, at least to me, because many of the current rides are pieces of amusement park history. The earliest ride dates from 1910 and is, not unsurprisingly, a carrousel. However there are other rides including one of North America's three remaining tumblerbugs (1925), Dodgem cars (late 1930s), and the Blue Streak, one of the oldest wooden roller coasters in the nation (1938). When I went there with my children in 1987 and 1999, little had changed (other than the rides seeming smaller and the park more rundown) since I remember going there as a child when visiting my grandparents in the 1960s.

The park itself is a bit out of the way, advertises little, and may well seem dated to many thrill seekers. As a result, the park went bankrupt in 1995 or 1996 and did not open for a summer or two. It was bought out by a new management company and reopened in 1997. Personally I'm glad the old rides haven't been cut up for restaurant decorations or shipped off to other parks.

On the tokens: In the 1960s I remember that the park operated on tickets. And, I presume that is how it operated up to its closing. The new owners now operate the park on wristbands or tokens. Except in the amusement arcade (does anyone remember Fascination?) and gift shop, cash is not accepted in the park. The tokens can be exchanged for food or rides as is stated on the earlier of the two tokens.

More information can be found in Conneaut Lake Park: The First 100 Years of Fun by Leo Bush and Richard Hersey, or online at <http://www.visitcrawford.org/clp1.html> and <http://www.geocities.com/TheTropics/Cove/6256/>

I did not come across any 1999 tokens during my visit to the park this past year.

TOKENS NEEDED FOR A.V.A. CONVENTION AUCTION IN AUGUST

Tokens are needed for the Convention Auction to be held in conjunction with the Annual Convention of the American Vecturist Association this coming August in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The prices realized at this auction are always higher than expected, no doubt because of vigorous floor bidding in addition to the mail bidding.

If you would like to submit tokens for this auction, remember that they must catalogue at least \$1.50 each, and that 10% of the realized price will be taken as the Auction Fee. Send a list of tokens you would like to put in the auction to the Auction Chairman: Keith Haney - 4614 Stonegate Way - Corpus Christi, TX 78411.

Don't send tokens yet. Just a list. Keith will let you know which ones are OK (to avoid duplication).

SUPPLEMENT #25 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

By Harold V. Ford

ALASKA

Anchorage 50 (ex unid 151 & 399)

MAGIC WAND CAR WASH (WAND)

F	B	23	Sd	Carwash Token	Non Refundable	No Cash Value	hh	1.00
G	B	23	Sd	No Cash Value	hh			1.00

ARKANSAS

Ft. Smith 360 (ex unid 137)

PHOENIX VILLAGE 3 MINUTE CAR WASH

C	o	A	29	Sd	Carwash Token	c	(antique car)	(reeded edge)	3.50
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CALIFORNIA

Fresno 300 (ex unid 411)

RED CARPET CAR WASH (FRONT OF CARTOON AUTO)

E	Bz	29	Sd	Carwash Token	Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt	Back	hh	1.50
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Hayward 350 (ex unid 405)

HUTCH'S SELF SERVE CARWASH (CARTOON AUTO FACING LEFT)

G	Bz	25	Sd	No Cash Value	hh			.50
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CONNECTICUT

Guilford 190

TRAV'S MOBIL CAR WASH GUILFORD, CT.

A	Bz	25	Sd	Carwash Token	hh	(antique car)		.50
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IDAHO

Boise 100 (ex unid 394)

DIRTY HARRY'S CARWASH (STARS)

E	Bz	25	Sd	Carwash Token	Non Refundable	No Cash Value	hh	.50
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INDIANA

Indianapolis 460 (and suburbs)

PRECISION AUTO WASH r (IN RECTANGULAR LOGO) rwm

H	WM	29	Sd	Automatic Car Wash Token	(antique car)			6.00
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Lafayette 520 (ex unid 86 & delete unid 87)

AUTOBATH FOR AUTOMATIC WASH

B	Bz	25	Sd	No Cash Value	(1mm toothed edge)			3.75
C	Bz	25	Sd	"	"	"	2mm	"
								3.75

OHIO

Bellevue 70

GOOD FOR-5-MINUTES AT BELLEVUE SOFSpra CAR WASH LAUNDROMAT
BELLEVUE, OHIO

A	o	WM	27	Sd	(Sofspra)	(Rev. J)		5.00
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Cincinnati 165

DON'S CAR WASH rwm (MODERN VW BEETLE)

J	Bz	23	Sd	Don's Car Wash	Better Soap, Reliable & Quality Equipment =	Cleaner Cars		.50
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B.C. CANADA

Cocquitlam 310 (ex Unid 290)

AQUA TOUCH 50c

A o Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 2.50
(Used at 641 Hougheed Hwy from 1993 to 95)

WASH WORLD 641 LOUGHEED HWY COQUITLAM

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 1.00

Grand Forks 370 (ex Unid 361 + new listing)

G.F. 24 HOUR SHELL (SHELL LOGO)

A o Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) 2.00

WALLY'S WORLD GRAND FORKS, BC (SHELL LOGO)

B Iz 25 Sd (cartoon auto facing left)(stars) 1.00
(same location, new owner)

Vancouver 800 (ex Unid 48 + a new listing)

HASTING'S CAR WASH 2

AA o Pb 38 Sd (blank)(white lettering on obv.) 5.00

HASTING'S CAR WASH 10

AB o Pb 38 Sd (blank)(white lettering on obv.) 5.00

(Hastings Automatic Car Wash was located at 475 East Hastings St. abt.1973)

MANITOBA, CANADA

Winnipeg 900

TRANSCONA MOHAWK 105 PANDORA AVE E WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

E Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) 1.00

SUPER SAVE CAR WASH 105 PANDORA AVENUE EAST

F B 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) 1.00

ONTARIO, CANADA

Niagara Falls 565

CLASSIC CAR WASH STANLEY AVE AT CHURCH'S LAND NIAGARA FALLS,
ONT OPEN 24 HOURS

A B 25 Sd Good For One Self Service Cycle No Cash Value One l hh 1.00

Errors and Additions:

AL 470 A add (Rev. A & B)

CA 223 A size should be 29mm, not 28

CA 668 B rev. should read Carwash, not Warwash

CO 620 C & D metal should be Bz, not B

IN 40 A value should be 5.00, not 1.00

IA 150 A metal should be Bz, not B

IA 930 D value should be 4.00, not 1.00

KS 880 B metal should be WM, not B (WM-plated)

MD 550 C add to reverse (12-sided)

MN 950 C add (vars) same varieties as 950 D

NY 35 B obv. delete N.Y. add NEW YORK

OH 417 A value should be 4.00, not 1.00

OH 730 B value should be 1.00, not .50

OH 790 A add (Rev. K)

OR 400 B add (Rev. I)

WA 780 D metal should be Bz, not B

WI 50 C & D value should be 4.00, not .50

WY 210 A metal should be Bz. not B

B.C. 800 N O P Q delete "incuse gold lettering", a "raised gold lettering"

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-18 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

ALABAMA

BIRMINGHAM-3120 (Reported by L Crawford)
CENTRAL / BANK & / TRUST / COMPANY
C o WM 25 Sd C (starburst) 7.00

NEW MEXICO

SANTE FE-3810 (Reported by L Crawford)
LA VILLA REAL DE SANTE FE DE SAN FRANCISCO DE ASIS / RWM (Shield)
D B 25 Sd Sante Fe / Convenient / 25¢ Parking / The City Different .25
(8mm steel center)

PTMS

GROUP-3080 (Reported by L Crawford)
PARKING / RWM / TOKEN (auto)
Y B 23 Sd No / Cash / Value .25
GROUP-3096 (Reported by L Crawford)
PARKING / TOKEN
K B 25 Sd No / Cash / Value / RWM .25

= ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS =

AL-3120-B: correct as follows: B o WM 25 Sd C (starburst)
PTMS-3080-R: Change vars as follows:

(O: Auto has...)(R: Letters are...mm tall)
a. (hub caps)(2.8)
b. (no hub caps)(2.8)
c. (no hub caps)(3.3)

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

Lou Crawford turned up another beauty! The ALABAMA piece is a companion to the B token. Note the corrections I made in the A&C section. (Yes, 25mm is the right dimension). The reverses are identical. Unless one knows when the bank name was changed, it's tough to determine which was in use first.

The city of Sante Fe has issued new parking tokens. These tokens are for use in the Municipal Parking facilities. At the meters, 25¢ will allow 20 minutes of parking. In the lots, the token is applied to the 60¢ per half hour fee.

Lou also alerted me that TIMMINS and DISTRICT HOSPITAL in Timmins, Ontario was using tokens. They are PTMS-3080-Y listed above.

Here is one we need some local help on. The parking lot in NEW YORK CITY located at 444 or SOUTH FLOWER PARKING (directly across from the WESTIN BONAVENTURE HOTEL parking entrance) is using tokens. I understand the parking attendant collects the parking fee and issues you a token to exit. I have no further info on this except I believe the hotel may have a tie in with the parking lot in question. Anyone obtaining any information on this, please drop me a line with details.

It appears that a reverse die with much larger letters was used on PTMS-R.

Tokens are in use at the COMMUNITY CULTURE CENTER at the NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE in Annadale, VA. I have been unable to obtain any info on this.

The YMCA in Harrisburg, PA is using blank slugs for parking tokens.

The courthouse at 415 E 12th St in Kansas City, MO is using PTMS-3080-Eb.

The UPMC ST MARGARET'S in Pittsburgh, PA is using PTMS-3070-L.

BRADLEY UNIVERSITY in Peoria, IL is using generic non-PTs.

Anyone wanting an UPDATE to the FIFTH, order from me at 10¢ per page plus large envelope and postage. Order FEISEL'S FIFTH EDITION direct from me at \$42 postpaid.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL PA 19008 =

JANUARY SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE

By Harold V. Ford

ALASKA

Anchorage 50 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE/PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION/
PEOPLE MOVER (IN LOGO)
J B 23 Sd Good For One Adult Fare/Anchorage, Alaska/A \$1.00

COLORADO

Avon 45 (Reported by Bill Sowell)
EAGLE COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/
ECO/ RWM
C B 25 Sd Token/Value/\$2/ECO 2.00
D B 29 Sd Token/Value/\$3/ECO (white metal plated) 3.00
Fort Collins 340 (Reported by Crawford & Hurford)
THE FARM/CITY OF FORT COLLINS PARKS & RECREATION/
1/PONY RIDE
P o We 38 Sd The/Farm/(barn, silo, sun) 2.00
Q Wr 38 Sd The/Farm/(barn and silo) 2.00

INDIANA

Marion 590 (Reported by John Coffee)
MARION TRANSIT/SYSTEM/(BUS)
B Z 25 Sd Good For/One Fare/ HH /(bus) (WM-plated) 50

MICHIGAN

Royal Oak 840 (Reported by John Coffee)
ROYAL OAK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE/TROLLEY/
19 (TROLLEY) 99/HM
A o B 25 Sd Mongolian/Barbecue® / BD'S /(rider on horse)(* 10/98) ***
(1,000 struck)
B o B 25 Sd Royal Oak Community/Credit Union/(tree in large R) ***
(* 10/98)(1,000 struck)
C o B 25 Sd Woody's/208 5th Ave · Royal Oak/(vehicle & tree) ***
(* 10/98)(1,000 struck)

MONTANA

Whitefish 960 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
SHUTTLE/NETWORK/OF/WHITEFISH/SNOW (inside four
snow flakes)
A Wb 39 Sd Good For/One Ride/\$1 (inside design)(* 1998) .50

WISCONSIN

Milwaukee 510 (Reported by John Byars)
YELLOW CAB CO./MILWAUKEE, WIS./PHONE/GRAND 700
N o A 33 Sd Good For/50¢/in Trade/in a Yellow Cab 50.00

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

The Anchorage, Alaska, "People Mover" token sells 20 for \$18. Bill Garrison has obtained a supply for the New Issues Service.

The town of Avon, CO, operates the Regional Transportation System which means town-to-town with Vail, CO. They also operate several other free routes. The ECO system uses passes, tickets, and tokens. It is thought these two new ones were placed in use last year. Bill Garrison laid out some big bucks to purchase a supply for our N.I.S. members. Bill also reports CO 45 A and B, listed 7/98, are now obsolete.

The Farm in Lee Martinez Park in Fort Collins, CO, has farm buildings, animals, museum, rides, and several full time employees including a farmer and an assistant farmer. Wooden tokens were issued for the pony ride, 20 minutes for \$2.00. Gene Hurford reports CO 340 P, the first issue, only a very few specimens could be found at the source, but had a sufficient supply of 340 Q for our NIS.

We have very little background information on the Marion, IN, listing which is pictured on page 94 of the September 1999 Fare Box. We know it is in current use, probably a senior issue, not available by writing and difficult to get even in person according to Bob Kelley. Over time specimens seem to find their way into collectors' hands, though.

The three Royal Oak, MI, tokens were struck in 1998 for use in 1999. They were used only for a very short time before this rubber-tired "trolley" operation was discontinued, no doubt due to lack of usage and financial support. While in use, tokens had a 50¢ value. The trolley itself was sold to an old folks home. John Coffee contacted the Chamber of Commerce and reports that they refuse to sell any tokens to collectors, hence we value with three stars at this time. Perhaps someone locally can work out a deal with the C of C to obtain a quantity for us.

Louis Crawford obtained a supply of the Whitefish, MT, woodnik for the NIS for less than face value, and reports the "SNOW" bus operates during the ski season between Whitefish and Big Mountain Ski Resort.

The WI 510 token was mentioned on page 55 of the June 1999 Fare Box. The die work and phone number would indicate that this is an early 20th Century issue. The rubbing shows a 4mm hole at 12 o'clock. We list as solid since the hole is crude and looks like it was made after minting.

I asked John to add a comment to my notes last month about the token sent out by the N.I.S. as NE 206 A. A correction is warranted. It is Amusement Ride Non Local 206 A, listed December 1998. The token listed in May 1999 was not a N.I.S. token.

Regarding the car wash token supplements, I wonder when I shall get caught up. I have nearly 100 tokens yet to be listed. Few specimens listed in the supplements were obtained at the source, so I have to guess at valuations for many of them. Tokens larger than 25mm usually have a higher face value per past experience.

THE FARM THAT USES CO 340 P and Q

The Farm was started in 1985 with the purchase of a farm on Fort Collins' northern central border by the Fort Collins Parks & Recreation Department. the majority of the land is used as soccer fields, ball fields, picnic grounds, picnic shelters, parking areas, etc. Most of The Farm's buildings have been restored (if they needed to be) and the main barn was made into an office and demo room. The people may climb up the silo which has a store. There is a museum. The citizens may operate the old-fashioned hand pump. Hayrides are available. Various advertised programs are available during the year. Three full time employees work there: Ms Bridget Brownell, Manager; Jerry Phillips, Farmer-in-Charge; and Tom Grist, Assistant Farmer. For display and petting they have cows, sheep, goats, turkeys, ducks, geese, chickens, ponies (not riding now, will resume mid-March when it gets warmer), pigs (will return in the spring and stay till late fall) and two domestic cats, "the Mousers." They began using the tokens in 1994.

- Gene Hurford

A D S E C T I O N

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Ads of up to 3 column inches in each category are free to AVA members. Larger ads (½, ¼ or full page) must be sent to the Fare Box editor. Ads must reach the managers by the FIFTH of the month of issue, or they will be held for next month's issue. DO NOT run the same ad in consecutive issues without changing the wording. Use the 2-letter State abbreviation in your ad, as well as your name, address and complete 9-digit zip code, which can be found by looking at a previous ad, or in the AVA membership roster. Submit only one ad per category, more will be combined into one ad, or held for next month's issue. Please, only ads relating to items listed in publications of the American Vecturist Association

01 AUCTION (CLOSE MARCH 10)	01 AUCTION (CLOSE MARCH 10)	25 SALE
<p>My February 2000 mail bid sale will feature a large number of transportation tokens from an old estate. The sale includes many elusive \$1.00 to \$10.00 catalogue pieces. If you would like a copy, please send \$2.00 which will include prices realized after the sale. If you have significant bids in this sale, you will automatically receive the following sale at no cost.</p> <p>Bob Slawsky P O Box 864 Windermere FL 34786-0864</p>	<p>"Tams Journal" March-April 1982 article on Special RR Pass Article. I need TT's [FL] 900-A; [IN] 450-D; [MD] 60--AW; [MN] 720-C, D; [NJ] 185-A; [NY] 80-Q; 998-B; 1000-B, C; [NC] 30-A, D; 660-C; 998-C; [WI] 700-C; [ON] 700-D; Group 4-A. Trade lists welcomed.</p> <p>Bill Boncek 5208 Sydney Street Port Orange FL 32127-5333</p>	<p>At catalogue plus 5c each and postage: [CA] 450-B, J; 575-I, J, N, O, P; 745-M; 760-F; [NE] 700-I; [PA] 765-Z, AB; 750-Aa; [MO] 910-C, D, E</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>
<p>[GA] 240-B; [KY] 510-O (new); [MA] 45-A; 115-J, K; [MN] 30-A; 540-A (holed); 540-Cb, AE, AG; 760-I [MO] 440-A; 910-I; [NH] 30-A; [NY] 425-B; 631-N, S; [NC] 380-C; 545-B; [ND] 320-D; [OH] 10-M; 175-W (holed); [OR] 100-A; 120-D; 160-E; [SD] 760-A; [TN] 375-B (new); [DC] 500-G, A; 997-A, B.</p> <p>Jim Collingwood P O Box 545 Danielson CT 06239-0545</p>	<p>Best offer: Timetabel 1 Stonington/Boston/New York /Line. XF.</p> <p>Rocco A. DiGiacomo 42 Sunset Drive Mt. Holly NJ 08060-1915</p>	<p>(1) [MI] 75-K TT at \$1.25 each plus SASE; (2) Twin City Motor Transit, school ride tickets (28) at \$1.50 per book plus SASE; (3) Minneapolis Street Ry. Co. horse car, 21mm at \$50.00. Will send rubbing; (4) Sheboygan WI 790-L, at \$5.00 plus SASE; (5) 1921 Marseille, France, aluminum solid, Oc, 24mm. Send for rubbing; (6) 1918 Marseille, France, 25mm, zinc, solid. Send for rubbing; (7) Marseille, France, zinc, 31mm, solid. Send for rubbing:</p> <p>"School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924</p>
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25 SALE	30 TRADE	30 TRADE
<p>Small collection of 260 different TT's available for 1.5X catalogue value plus postage. Will allow tradeback for 5% of TT's you may already have. Contains over 15 that book at \$1.00 or more.</p> <p>John M. Hoffmann 8334 Heron Circle Ooltewah TN 37363-9794</p>	<p>Have a few TT and parking tokens for trade or sale, mostly MA issues. Looking for your trade or sale MA tokens. Please write.</p> <p>Gerard J. Braithwaite 138 Lakeview Avenue Falmouth MA 02540-2832</p>	<p>[AK] 400-D; [CA] 760-G, H; [DC] 500-AB, AC, AD; [GA] 60-H; [IA] 150-E; 230-C, D, E; [IN] 330-N; [WI] 220-A, B, C, E, F, G.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>
<p>SOFSPRA carwash token starter collection of 40 different from 15 states at 2X catalogue. Send SASE for list. Also many individual SOFSPRA for trade/sale.</p> <p>Al Kohlhardt P O Box 2649 Sunnyvale CA 94087-0649</p>	<p>I have one each of the following to trade: [CA] 128-D; 310-B; [TN] 120-H; [CA] Hanford, shown on pg. 93 of Fare Box. Also Grand Canyon airlines \$5.00 off wooden 5C. Was a note about these 3 or 4 years ago. Should be listed soon.</p> <p>Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718</p>	<p>Trade my transportation tokens for your parking and car wash tokens.</p> <p>Jim Collingwood P O Box 545 Danielson CT 06239-0545</p>
26 SALE / TRADE	<p>Offer for 2000: Two for one. You send me up to 30 different TT's and I will send you up to 60 TT's of my choice. Note: There will be some duplicates. Send \$2.00 for postage.</p> <p>"School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924</p>	40 WANTED
<p>Send large SASE for list of my Denmark and Sweden duplicates. Will sell or trade for your Denmark, Sweden Norway or Finland.</p> <p>Les Hannula 2210 Crescent Place Waukegan IL 60085-2510</p>	<p>Will trade up to 20 different Russian TT's for your phone tokens world-wide (not phone cards). Please send me your list, or e-mail vzhobbies @ aol.com</p> <p>Victor Zilaitis 2018 Heathfield Cir. Sun City Center FL 33573-7304</p>	<p>[ID] 100-C, D, F, O, P; 180-A; 440-B, F, G; [OK] 590-E; 860-D, F, G, H, I, K; [UT] 650-B, C, E; 750-E; [TX] 340-H; 50-N, R, S.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p> <p>Paying full catalogue for Sioux City IA transit tokens. Write with offers.</p> <p>James Vander Helm 18618 Birch Avenue Akron IA 51001-8827</p>
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<p>Let's trade! TT's wanted. Have AVA and other types of tokens/exonumia. Send your list for mine.</p> <p>John Ciecka 1540 Society Hill Dr. Bensalem PA 19020-3689</p>		

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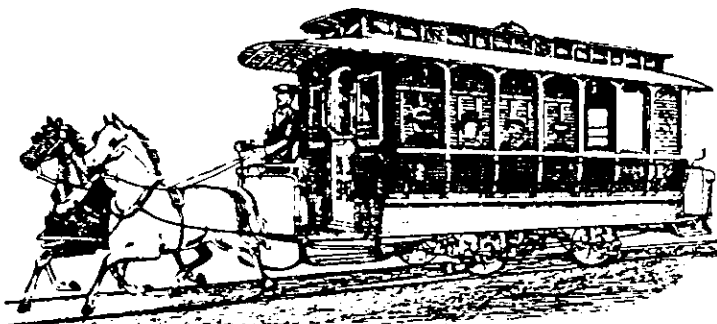
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OUR 632nd ISSUE

March 13. We have lost two more of our people. Brief remarks about them are inside this issue.

Together with this issue you will find the Index to Volume 53, on the back of which is an index to all tokens listed in our catalogue supplements during 1999. This sheet is not part of this issue, and should be placed at the end of your December issue.

From Ted Meyers I have just received copy for the four-year supplement to the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue, a cumulative supplement, with a token identifier, containing all tokens listed from the time the 5th edition was published through and including December 1999. It has 73 pages (compared with 56 in last year's supplement). I don't know what it will cost to print, but with a 99¢ postage cost each, I figure they will be somewhere like \$10 apiece. That is not expensive for a booklet of this size (to say nothing of its value). We lost a few hundred dollars on last year's booklet and we can't afford to do that again. So wait till my announcement, as soon as I hear what printing costs will be for us.

How often does one find an unlisted U.S. omnibus token picturing an omnibus? Ralph Brown just did. His token at first glance looks just like PA 750 G, the fairly common Philadelphia omnibus token. But Ralph's token on obverse has "GOOD FOR / A RIDE / 6th St / *LINE*" and on reverse it appears to be identical with 750 G. Same size, same brass composition. Quite a significant find! The "6th St" is in very large letters.

Anent the Royal Oak, MI, tokens pictured last month, Don Stewart of Victoria, BC, sends along a stranger: 25mm bronze with "ROYAL OAK / STATION" on both sides. Nothing else. Any ideas out there?

Bill Boncek found a 17mm brass token inscribed "CITY OF / NEW YORK // OFFICIAL / USE / ONLY" which could be a parking token, a telephone token, even a toilet token. Has anyone ever seen one of these before?

If you still haven't sent in your \$20 AVA dues for Year 2000, please do so right away, so we can continue sending The Fare Box to you. Mail dues to AVA Treasurer Joel Reznick at P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116.



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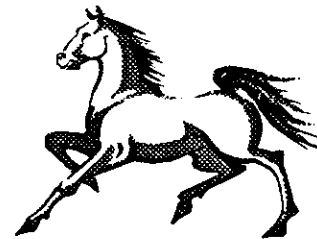
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JAMES R. BOSKEY, AVA #1615, of Newark, New Jersey, joined us in February, 1976, and died last June of metastatic bone cancer. A professor of law at Seton Hall Law School, Jim was only 57 at the time of his death.

JOHN K. CURTIS, AVA #746, of Willowdale, Ontario, joined us in November, 1965. A professional engineer, John was one of the pioneers of Canadian wooden money collecting, and was a founder of the North York Coin Club in 1960. He was employed by the Borough of North York, near Toronto. His close friend D.J. Smith of South Porcupine, Ontario, writes "John and I had corresponded since 1973, but it was in 1980 that Louise and I first met John and his wife Mavis at the AVA Convention in Winnipeg. We became instant friends. He was a real gentleman and he and Alan Weighell and Doug Ferguson were a big influence and source of Canadian tokens in the early years of my collecting. He also attended the Toronto AVA Convention in 1985, as I did." John died February 28, 1999, and he was 80 years old at the time.

So many old friends have passed this way, and left us.

Finally, Russell Wehling writes of his father: "My dad, E.J. Wehling, is now in a nursing home. Please arrange to close his account."

This past summer I found a token made by Hoffman Mint for an Adventure Park. I had no idea of its origin, but Louis Crawford did some investigating and discovered that the tokens are used at Adventure Park in Hanford, California. Louis and I both wrote, and lo and behold, we received 3 different ride tokens from them:

B 25 Sd	COME FOR THE ADVENTURE/ADVENTURE/PARK/STAY FOR THE FUN/(PALM TREE)/hh
K 25 Sd	Non Refundable/1 Ride Token/No Cash Value/hh
WM 27 Sd	"
B 23 Sd	Family Entertainment/No/Cash/Value/hh
B 29 Sd	(baseball player with bat)/hh

The first three tokens are used for rides on boats, race cars, and bumper cars, respectively. The last two are not transportation tokens, even though they have the same obverse. They are for video game machines and batting cages. So the first three are listable transportation tokens. The face values are quite high, as are most amusement tokens, and these will most likely not be handled by our New Issues Service.

Pedro Chiclana Rosario of Carolina, Puerto Rico, reports five different horse car tokens that were used from about 1898 to 1927 in Mayaguez, PR. The tokens are rectangular brass, 55x39mm, with incuse black letters on obverse and blank reverses:

B Ob Sd	KRAEMER & CA./PUEBLO (INCUSE BLACK LETTERS) (blank)(55x39mm)
B Ob Sd	KRAEMER & CA./ $\frac{1}{2}$ PUEBLO (INCUSE BLACK LETTERS) (blank)(55x39mm)
B Ob Sd	KRAEMER & CA./PLAYA (INCUSE BLACK LETTERS) (blank)(55x39mm)
B Ob Sd	KRAEMER & CA./PLAYA/(ARROW POINTING RIGHT)(INCUSE BLACK LETTERS) (blank)(55x39mm)
B Ob Sd	KRAEMER & CA./PLAYA/(ARROW POINTING LEFT)(INCUSE BLACK LETTERS) (blank)(55x39mm)

Pedro adds that he has been inactive the past couple of years "because I've been hospitalized during some months and have been operated for three times of Sinus." He has reinstated his membership and we are delighted to have him back.

Harold Ford recently came up with several unlisted tokens most of which are probably now in use. We're working on obtaining supplies for the New Issues Service. One of them, for "Greater Lafayette" is of uncertain origin. Bill Garrison tried Indiana and hit a dead end. Louisiana maybe?

B 23 Sd	CITY BUS OF GREATER LAFAYETTE/(BUS)CITY BUS/GREATER LAFAYETTE/hm One Fare/City Bus of Greater Lafayette/(bus)Greater Lafayette
B 27 Sd	DES MOINES METROPOLITAN/TRANSIT AUTHORITY/BUS with MTA incused on front)/hm Full/Fare/(skyline scene incused)/Des Moines (incused)
B 30 Sd	MERCED COUNTY/TRANSIT/THE(BUS)BUS/hm/(13 STARS) Good For \$1.00 in Fare/No Refunds No Exchanges/The (bus) Bus/(13 stars)
B 27 Sd	4th AVENUE THEATER/TROLLEY TOURS TOKEN/(FRONT OF TROLLEY with 1999 incused) Anchorage Trolley Token tm/4th Avenue Trolley/Box 102299/Anchorage, AK/ 007-276-5603/hm

Des Moines, IA, is a big city and I'm confident we can get that one for N.I.S. The Merced County, if we don't connect before July I'll drive down myself and get a supply when I'm in California. The 1999 Anchorage, AK, trolley token is one of a set, and there are two different ones for 1999. I have them all except the 1999's. Apparently the brass ones are souvenirs that you keep, while the WM ones are actually used for the ride. But we don't know if there is a WM one for 1999. These things are a mystery to us and we'd like to get them all straightened out before we list them. Also what looks like WM is probably a plating over some other metal and we'd like to know what it is.

Finally Harold came up with what appears to be a commemorative medal:

Bz 38 Sd	BRAZOS TRANSIT DISTRICT/(MAP OF TEXAS)/25th ANNIVERSARY/2000/PROVIDING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TO TEXANS IN CENTRAL & EAST TEXAS 1974-1999 The State of Texas/(wreath around a big star)
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NEW INFORMATION ABOUT RECENT TOKENS

Bill Garrison proably keeps abreast of the current usage of tokens more than any of the rest of us.
Below are lists of tokens listed as current which are now obsolete
and of price corrections based on the latest fare information

TOKENS WHICH ARE NOW OBSOLETE

CA 315 A	MN 230 R
IL 150 BD	MT 380 D
IL 150 BH	MT 480 L
IL 150 BI	MT 480 M
IN 315 A	NY 660 A
IN 390 C	NC 980 J
IN 390 D	PA 142 A
IN 390 E	PA 142 D
IN 390 F	PA 525 Q
IN 390 G	PA 750 AS
IN 390 H	PA 750 BB
IN 390 I	PA 750 BC
IA 110 J	RI 120 A
IA 110 K	RI 120 B
IA 110 L	TX 810 AF
IA 110 M	TX 810 AG
MI 370 Q	TX 810 AH
MI 495 D	TX 810 AI
MI 495 E	VA 580 R
MI 495 F	VA 580 S
MI 495 G	WV 590 A
MI 495 H	WI 410 K
MI 495 I	WI 410 L
MI 495 J	WI 920 C
MI 530 P	WI 920 D
MI 530 Q	WI 920 E
MI 530 R	WI 920 F
MI 530 S	WI 920 G
MI 530 T	WI 920 H
MI 535 C	WI 920 I

TOKENS WITH PRICE CHANGES

CA 82 A	\$.75	MI 470 E	\$1.00
CA 255 A	.50	MN 980 K	.40
CA 280 A	4.25	MT 480 Ha	1.00
CA 280 B	4.25	MT 480 Hb	1.00
CA 280 C	4.25	MT 480 J	1.50
CA 915 A	.75	MT 480 K	1.50
FL 300 J	1.00	ND 260 J	.90
FL 300 Ka	1.00	ND 260 L	.90
FL 300 Kb	1.00	ND 260 M	.50
FL 300 L	.50	ND 260 N	.50
→ FL 300 M	1.00	OH 15 G	1.25
IN 315 A	1.00	OH 15 H	2.50
KY 670 Fa	.45	PA 142 B	.75
KY 670 Fb	.45	PA 142 C	.75
KY 670 G	.45	TX 810 AJ	.50
KY 670 H	.90	TX 810 AK	.50
KY 670 I	.45	TX 810 AN	.50
KY 670 J	.90	TX 810 AO	.50
KY 670 K	.45	TX 810 AR	5.00
KY 670 L	.25	TX 810 AS	2.50
KY 670 M	.50	TX 810 AP	.50
MI 68 A	1.50	VA 580 P	.75
MI 68 B	.75	VA 580 Q	.75
MI 68 C	1.50	VA 580 T	1.50
MI 68 D	.75	WY 60 A	1.25
MI 5 G	1.50		
MI 5 H	1.50		
MI 5 K	1.50		
MI 5 L	1.50		

Above information compiled by Bill Garrison

THE OVAL TRANSPORTATION TOKENS

By John Coffee

Transportation tokens come in a great variety of shapes. I believe perhaps the most interesting is the elliptical, which most of us call the oval, although it is not really an oval because technically speaking an oval is wider toward one side than the other (i.e., like the egg from which it takes its name). So we'll call them ovals.

Most types of transportation are represented by a few oval tokens. Maybe the most desirable are the vulcanites, of which there are only seven, one of which is a big attractive Timetable (AG). The others are all very rare: the one celluloid in the group is CA 5 A, the red Alameda, Oakland, and Piedmont Electric Ry. token with an ad on the back. A few years back a dealer advertised this for \$25 in ATCO. I phoned him but someone beat me to it. Today I think any serious collector would pay at least \$500 for this one if it's in nice condition. Then there are the Cincinnati (Pendleton St. RR) and Scranton PA (Peoples Street Ry.) both the same size and black, telling us to put them "in the box." Both very rare, the latter extremely so. And the three Pittsburghs, the big 765 A being perhaps the most beautiful transportation token ever issued. There's a photo of it on page 486 of Volume II of the Catalogue.

I count nine oval depotels. Two are from Hillsboro, IL, both unique so far as I know. The Algona, IA 20 A is still rare but a few have shown up. At an AVA convention a few years back I found a round Algona token with "Mrs. R.E. and G. F. Brown Props." which I presume was issued by sisters, or a widow, or? The Yates Center, IA 990 C was one of the big hoard of rare depotels uncovered by J.L. Hargett about seven years ago, if memory serves. The Mississippi 260 A from Durant, unique and fabulous, was pictured in The Fare Box a few years back. Owned by a former AVA member. I think my Trenton, MO 920 E is the only one known. It has a hole in it, which I presume is not the way it was issued. I assume that Unid. 153 is a depotel, interesting because "J.P.R. & CO." and "BUSS" were engraved onto the token, the rest having been struck in stand-up letters with a die. Finishing out the list: OH 845 B and WI 600 A.

Then a bunch of nine little omnibus ovals: five from Baltimore, three from Cincinnati, and the 6th & 8th Street Lines of Philadelphia, the only common one in the bunch. Incidentally the Baltimores command enormous prices, especially the MD 60 A and E. Seems to me someone was asking several thousand \$\$\$ for the 60 A not long ago. And I just received a report of a new discovery, one like the PA 750 G but with "6th STREET LINES" only. Want to see that one!

Eleven ferry tokens. The Dogtown, IL 220 A comes in two varieties, which I have. The 220 G was offered to me by a non-member who saw my name in some publication, and of course I acquired it. Only one known I believe. The St. Francisville IL 768 A and B are extremely rare. The 768 C is quite scarce, and comes in 3 distinct die varieties. Note the 768 A spells "FERRIAGE" correctly, while the B and C leave out the "I" so I assume 768 A was the last to be issued. New Harmony, IN 700 F is scarce but not rare. Catalogues \$10, but one brought \$26.60 at the 1999 AVA auction. The little oval MD 60 H, Federal Hill Ferry, is a beauty and always fetches plenty in auctions. The words "City Block" are on the side of the pictured ferry, but backwards. The Bagnell, MO 25 A also uses "FERRAGE" a misspelling so frequent I wonder if it was once an acceptable alternative. This token is a rarity. I got mine from Marie Johnson back in the 1960's. The two Philadelphia 750 A & B always come uncirculated. Not rare, but beautiful and they bring prices based on their beauty and antiquity more than their rarity. Finally the Unid. 265, which Jim Hemphill found a few years ago and sold to me. With its curious "AFTER MIDNIGHT 25¢" reverse, I would love to know where Gagne & Wilson operated.

I count just three oval bridge tokens. The Calhoun, KY 90 A looks to date from the 1920's or 1930's with its B hanging in the center. Hal Ford and I visited the Calhoun Bridge a couple years back on a lazy Sunday. No toll is charged now. I would bet that there are some more of these in town somewhere. The PA 395 A from Franklin is one of my favorites: "Good For Single Horse & Buggy." It's extremely rare, and I didn't get one till I bought Dan DiMichael's collection. The third, Unidentified 95, is just plain weird: "Brookland Heights Toole Bridge Co." with an ad on the back for whiskey. That "TOOLE" spelling just makes no sense to me. And where is "Brookland Heights"? Token is quite scarce, but not rare.

Only three oval streetcar tokens (not counting vulcanites). The MO 860 B, which is a scalloped oval, the only one such in the book, issued by Springfield Electric St. Ry., which was hyperbole because it never was electrified. Always only horses (or mules?). Then we have the Akron, OH 10 J and N. Those tokens have always puzzled me. The various shapes must have some reason, and it is possible they were zone checks. But who knows? Also the white metal ones are extremely rare, the bronze ones only moderately scarce. The bronze ones also come with a WM plating, and these are not nearly so rare as the white metal tokens.

Only two oval bus tokens! KY 510 BJ which is fairly common, although acquiring all 3 die varieties might be a challenge. Back in the late 1940's I wrote Blue Motor Coach, sent a dollar, and asked for as many different kinds as they would send. They sent a bunch of them! Those were the days. The WI 510 J is something else again, a very scarce little item used by an association of jitney bus drivers in Milwaukee in the 1920's. A little beauty.

Finally there's one oval zone check, CA 997 L, which is a fairly scarce item, but hardly in the class of the A thru K, which are super rarities. I don't own a one of them. There are four oval passes: CO 999 A, one of those very expensive silver passes, this one especially desirable because it simply says "Pass The Bearer" with the date 1890. The FL 999 B is from the Duval County Bridge in Jacksonville, and apparently they changed shape each year. We have them for four different years. Suppose there are others for other years? And of course the two oval Norfolk Naval Base School Bus passes in oval. Interesting that the two ovals are probably the rarest of the bunch. Do you suppose there are a lot of these things under a layer of dust in some file drawer in the naval base down there?

Just one of those real estate "good for car fare" tokens comes as an oval, from Stanley County, SD. I suspect only one of these is in captivity, and it looks to be a beauty.

Concluding: the AVA has issued three oval tour tokens. The first was a big beauty from New York City for 1965. Sam Rabinowitz had them made, and he won the literary award that same year, thereby receiving the unique silver Presentation Piece of the 1965 token as well. (He told me, "If I'd known I was going to win I would've made it in 24k solid gold!") I wonder whatever happened to Sam. The following year Bob Ritterband, who presided over our Disneyland Convention that year (and would, again, in 1975 preside over the largest convention we've ever held) used the oval shape, again, for the tour token. One example was also made in pure silver for the Literary award. In 1970 the AVA convened in Dallas and the tour token was an oval with an etched inscription, rather than die struck, so we couldn't make one in silver.

So there you have the ovals. I count 53 of them, but I might've missed a couple. Just for fun, see how many you have. One thing is sure, nobody owns them all, or ever will. But that's what makes this hobby fun: the fact that we can never be complete, so the chase never ends and that's what keeps us young in our old age.

FEBRUARY SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE

By Harold V. Ford

ALABAMA

Orange Beach 605 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
 PLEASURE ISLAND TROLLEY/CITY OF ORANGE BEACH/
 ONE RIDE/(LOGO)
 A B 29 Sd Pleasure Island Trolley/Gulf Shores/City/of/Gulf Shores/
 Alabama/One Ride/RM /(seagulls)/ © \$0.50

NORTH CAROLINA

Charlotte 160 (article in Coin World 11/22/99)
 1744-1818/ONE/DOLLAR/(BUST OF QUEEN)/2000/
 CHARLOTTE REGINA
 G B 23 Sd Trolley Park! Center City Transit/Onstreet Parking/
 (crown)/Charlotte/RWM (7mm steel center) 1.00

WISCONSIN

Wausau 940 (Reported by Bill Sowell)
 WAUSAU AREA/TRANSIT SYSTEM/(FRONT OF BUS)WATS
 G B 23 Sd Good For/One Fare/(front of bus)WATS/RWM .75

PRESENTATION PIECES

BO Sv 39 Sd (NC 160 G without rwm mintmark, reeded & numbered
 edge, struck in .999 silver. 500 were struck.

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

The Pleasure Island Trolley has been in use in the two small south Alabama towns of Orange Beach and Gulf Shores. Recently the operation in Gulf Shores has been discontinued, probably because of the lack of patronage. Originally two trolleys operated in both Orange Beach and Gulf Shores with a loop route 20 to 30 minutes behind each other. The transfer point between each town's route was at the Gulf State Park Resort and an additional fare was collected, 50¢ or one token. A supply has been obtained for the New Issues Service.

The Charlotte, NC, token and Presentation Piece BO listings were mentioned on page 130 of the December 1999 Fare Box, and page 1 of the January 2000 issue. Neither will be handled by the New Issues Service, but 160 G may be purchased from the source (see page 1 of the January Fare Box).

The new Wausau, WI, listing has been in use for about a year. Tokens sell at a discount of 9 for \$5. Bill Garrison contacted the local authority and learned the current supply was somewhat low, but a supply would be made available for our N.I.S. when they reorder.

Forrest Stevens reports he recently acquired two tokens like NY 630 BD. One is brass and the other WM. Both lack reeded edge. Can someone in the New York City area shed some light on these: new issues, patterns, counterfeits?

Our Secretary, Louis Crawford, asks me to add the name of James Collingwood to the list of members who have very generously contributed tokens for free distribution to new AVA members in their welcome package. Many thanks!

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-19 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

COLORADO (Both reported by L Crawford)
ASPEN-3035

CITY OF ASPEN / PARKING TOKEN (leaf)

B	B	25	Sd	Good For Fifty Cents In Parking Value / 50 (WM pltd)	.75
C	B	29	Sd	Good For One Dollar In Parking Value / 1 00	1.50

NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE-3160

1744-1818 / ONE / DOLLAR / 2000 / CHARLOTTE REGINA (BUST OF QUEEN)

U	B	22	Sd	Trolley Park!Center City Transit / Charlotte / RWM / Onstreet Parking (crown)(7mm steel center)	1.00
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PENNSYLVANIA (Reported by L Crawford)
BETHLEHEM-3085

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY / PARKING / TOKEN / RWM (building)

H	B	25	Sd	Homo Ministeret Interpress Naturae / Founded By / Asa Packer / 1865 / Lehigh University (starburst-heart-book)(school seal)(8mm steel center)	1.00
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= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

I have been unable to obtain information on the two Colorado tokens. Anyone with details as to current usage, please drop a line.

The new Charlotte, NC token is a beaut! Anyone needing one can order as per the very descriptive write-up by John Coffee in the December 1999 issue of the FB.

Tokens are in use at the HEALTH SCIENCES HUMAN RESOURCES building at the University of New Mexico Albuquerque. I cannot get any information on this.

The same is true of the ARIZONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY in Tuscon, AZ. Any feedback would be appreciated.

Shuttleworth Ingersoll in Cedar Rapids, IA is using PTMS-3080-E.

California State U in Long Beach, Cal is using tokens. No info on this.

Pittiglio Rabin Todd & McGrath on Higgins Rd in Rosemont, Il is also using tokens. Again no info.

Life Source Blood Services at St Francis Hospital in Blue Island, IL has a lot with tokens in use. Tough to get any information some times. HELP!!!!

Order your UP-DATED SUPPLEMENT from me direct at 10c per page plus postage. On 8 1/2 x 11 sheets with references to the Fare Box entries.

You can also order the FIFTH EDITION at \$42 postpaid. With the order for the catalogue, I will send the UP-DATE material at no charge.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

A NEW ISSUES SERVICE FOR CAR WASH TOKENS

Something collectors of car wash tokens have needed is their own New Issues Service. We already have a N.I.S. for transportation tokens and for parking tokens. The trouble is, car wash tokens are often very difficult to obtain in quantity, and many of them have a high face value, upwards or \$3 or \$4. Still, Roger Bolz says he is willing to operate a C.W.T.N.I.S. So if you would be interested in this service please write Roger directly. Members would be expected to put up an advance deposit of at least \$25, in view of the high initial cost of car wash tokens.

J. ROGER BOLZ - 6120 KEARNEY AVENUE - LINCOLN, NE 68507-1239

SUPPLEMENT #26 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

By Harold V. Ford

ARKANSAS

Springdale 840

OASIS CAR WASH SYSTEMS 107 N. MISSOURI RD.

SPRINGDALE, AR 72764 (TREE in center of O of Oasis)

B o Bz 25 Sd Oasis Town & Country Wash 75¢ 75¢ 1.50

CALIFORNIA

Antioch 30

JACK'S CAR WASH (CARTOON AUTO)

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50

Gilroy 315

EZ-CLEAN CAR WASH 7940 MONTEREY ST. ACROSS FROM ST. MARY'S CHURCH

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt Back hh .50

Palmdale 618

THE WASHRAK CARWASH PALMDALE CA. (GIRL WASHING VW BUG)

B B 29 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 1.00

Sunnyvale 899.5

RAINBOW CAR WASH ONE DOLLAR IN TRADE NO CASH VALUE \$1⁰⁰

A WM 23 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value VB (crown) (reeded edge) 1.00

ILLINOIS

Tilden 842

SAM'S CAR WASH TILDEN, ILLINOIS (SPORTS CAR)

A Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hh .50

IOWA

Des Moines 300 (ex unid 408)

PLAZA LANES JET WASH 255-1111 2710 DOUGLAS (AUTO)

I B 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50

MARYLAND

Waldorf 950

SPEEDY CLEAN CAR WASH rwm (CARTOON CONVERTIBLE CAR)

A Bz 25 Sd Good.For.One.Dollar.in.Trade 1⁰⁰ 1.00MICHIGAN

Traverse City 930

UNIVERSAL CARWASH TRAVERSE CITY (ANTIQUE CAR)

C A 29 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value VB (crown) (anodized red) (reeded edge) 2.00

D A 29 Sd " (plain alum) (reeded edge) 2.00

MINNESOTA

Bloomington 105

ALLSTATE CAR WASH 600 WEST 93rd. ST. BLOOMINGTON, MN 55420

(MAP OF MINNESOTA)

B o B 29 Sd Carwash Token (antique car) 1.00

C o Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token rwm (convertible car) 1.00

2nd AUCTION OF TOKENS FROM THE MARK SYMONS COLLECTION

1. All bids must be postmarked no later than April 15
2. Bids under Catalog value WILL NOT be considered unless specially noted.
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4. Bids over \$5 will be reduced to 10% above the 2nd high bid.
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3. MA 115 AO	53. MI 525 D	103. MN 540 AC	153. NE 305 C	203. NY 25 C	253. NY 631 N
4. MA 115 AP	54. MI 525 H	104. MN 540 AD	154. NE 305 D	204. NY 25 E	254. NY 631 R
5. MA 145 B	55. MI 530 H	105. MN 540 AJ	155. NE 305 E	205. NY 70 A	255. NY 631 S
6. MA 145 Ca	56. MI 530 K	106. MN 540 AK	156. NE 360 C	206. NY 105 G	256. NY 631 U
7. MA 145 D	57. MI 560 T	107. MN 600 A	157. NE 420 C	207. NY 145 A	257. NY 631 V
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10. MA 245 D	60. MI 560 W	110. MN 760 Ja	160. NE 540 S	210. NY 145 D	260. NY 640 H
11. MA 275 Aa	61. MI 560 X	111. MN 765 C	161. NE 540 Z	211. NY 210 A	261. NY 640 I
12. MA 275 Ba	62. MI 560 Y	112. MN 765 D	162. NE 540 AA	212. NY 210 B	262. NY 640 J
13. MA 275 Ca	63. MI 560 AF	113. MN 765 E	163. NE 700 O	213. NY 285 Da	263. NY 640 K
14. MA 275 Da	64. MI 585 C	114. MN 765 F	164. NE 700 P	214. NY 285 Db	264. NY 685 E
15. MA 305 B	65. MI 610 A	115. MN 765 G	165. NE 700 S	215. NY 290 A	265. NY 685 F
16. MA 355 C	66. MI 630 B	116. MN 765 H	166. NE 700 Z	216. NY 290 B	266. NY 715 A
17. MA 540 A	67. MI 670 C	117. MN 765 I	167. NV 150 A	217. NY 290 C	267. NY 780 D
18. MA 540 B	68. MI 670 E	118. MN 770 A	168. NV 500 B	218. NY 355 C	268. NY 780 J
19. MA 540 C	69. MI 700 B	119. MN 900 H	169. NV 500 C	219. NY 445 H	269. NY 780 Q
20. MA 545 Bb	70. MI 775 F	120. MN 900 I	170. NV 500 E	220. NY 445 I	270. NY 780 W
21. MA 550 D	71. MI 785 A	121. MS 350 A	171. NV 500 F	221. NY 615 C	271. NY 780 X
22. MA 660 A	72. MI 785 C	122. MS 360 A	172. NV 900 A	222. NY 615 F	272. NY 780 Y
23. MA 660 B	73. MI 845 T	123. MO 230 A	173. NH 350 A	223. NY 629 C	273. NY 785 C
24. MA 660 C	74. MI 845 V	124. MO 370 D	174. NH 500 A	224. NY 629 D	274. NY 790 D
25. MA 660 D	75. MI 885 C	125. MO 370 Ea(thick)	175. NH 500 B	225. NY 629 H	275. NY 830 D
26. MA 740 A	76. MN 50 Lb	126. MO 370 Eb(thin)	176. NH 500 D	226. NY 630 T	276. NY 850 B
27. MI 5 C	77. MN 50 Mb	127. MO 420 Ca	177. NH 520 A	227. NY 630 Z	277. NY 875 A
28. MI 5 D	78. MN 50 Nc	128. MO 440 H	178. NH 615 A	228. NY 630 ABa	278. NY 875 D
29. MI 5 E	79. MN 50 Oa	129. MO 440 I	179. NH 640 H	229. NY 630 ABb	279. NY 875 U
30. MI 5 F	80. MN 50 Ob	130. MO 440 X	180. NH 640 J	230. NY 630 ACb	280. NY 875 V
31. MI 5 G	81. MN 50 Pa	131. MO 441 B	181. NH 640 K	231. NY 630 AJ	281. NY 875 W
32. MI 5 H	82. MN 50 Qc	132. MO 820 B	182. NJ 30 A	232. NY 630 AK	282. NY 905 J
33. MI 5 I	83. MN 65 A	133. MO 880 C	183. NJ 95 A	233. NY 630 AP	283. NY 905 Oa
34. MI 5 J	84. MN 65 B	134. MO 880 D	184. NJ 115 J	234. NY 630 AT	284. NY 905 Ob
35. MI 5 K	85. MN 80 A	135. MO 880 E	185. NJ 115 K	235. NY 630 AV	285. NY 905 P
36. MI 5 L	86. MN 90 A	136. MO 910 Z	186. NJ 115 L	236. NY 630 AY	286. NY 905 Q
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38. MI 5 N	88. MN 230 Ma	138. MT 80 G	188. NJ 250 A	238. NY 630 BA	288. NY 905 S
39. MI 5 O	89. MN 230 Q	139. MT 140 A	189. NJ 390 E	239. NY 630 BC	289. NY 980 B
40. MI 5 P	90. MN 245 A	140. MT 380 B	190. NJ 390 F	240. NY 630 BD	290. NY 955 A
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44. MI 165 B	94. MN 410 B	144. MT 480 J	194. NJ 912 A	244. NY 630 BH	294. NC 380 B
45. MI 345 B	95. MN 520 A	145. MT 480 K	195. NJ 975 F	245. NY 630 BI	295. NC 380 C
46. MI 345 C	96. MN 520 B	146. MT 500 A	196. NJ 997 G	246. NY 631 A	296. NC 450 C
47. MI 360 A	97. MN 540 T	147. MT 660 Ca	197. NM 40 I	247. NY 631 F	297. NC 450 D
48. MI 370 C	98. MN 540 Xa	148. MT 740 A	198. NM 280 A	248. NY 631 G	298. NC 625 A
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 CO 620 A+
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 IL 150 B+ ✓
 IL 150 AQ+
IL 195 B ✓
 IL 200 C+ ✓
 IL 200 E+ ✓
 IL 220 B ✓
 IL 370 A+ ✓
 IL 600 C
 IL 720 A+
 IL 768 C+
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 IN 180 A+
 IN 275 A+
 IN 280 A@
 IN 460 H+
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 IA 640 N
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 KY 270 B+
 KY 510 C+
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10C		155A				525A		660A		750AZ		930C	
10D				375A		525B				750BA		930D	
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10Eb		165C		400D		525D		675C		750BE		935A	
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15J				445B		525Q		705B		765AC		950H	
15K		190A		445D				705C		765AG		950Ja	
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				455H		565D		725D				985H	
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		200D		460A		570B				785H		990A	
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65N		235A		463A		585A		750X		805A		990C	
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65R				465A		590B		750AA		805C			
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135B		325B		495V		615A		750AQ					
		325E		495W				750AR		875B		998W	
142B				495X		630A		750AS				998X	
142C		340E		495Y		630B		750AT		920A			
142D				495Z				750AW		920B		1000D	

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01 AUCTION (close Apr 15)	01 AUCTION (close Apr 15)	15 MISCELLANEOUS
<p>Minimum bids 2X catalogue value for the following tokens: [AL] 560-A (\$7.50); 560-B (\$7.50); [AZ] 640-A (\$12.50); [CO] 280-A (\$35.00) 540-A (\$35.00). Please provide SASE for list of foreign TT's that includes horsecars, ferry boats and vulcanites to sell.</p> <p>Lee Nott P. O. Box 4305 Fairview Heights IL 62208-4305</p>	<p>[MA] 115-A; [MI] 1000-B; [PA] 725-D; [PERU] 480-D; [SCOTLAND] 300-A; [SWE-DEN] 820-G. All are problem free.</p> <p>Al Zaika P. O. Box 65 Bellmawr NJ 08099-0065</p>	<p>Do You want 187 1½X1½ 30 pocket vinyl sheets plus 29-42 pocket sheets? All are for 1¼ inch coin cards. All are free if you pay the postage.</p> <p>Bill Garrison 9505 Normandy Avenue Morton Grove IL 60053-1337</p>
<p>Best offer over 1.5X catalogue (\$30.00) plus postage. [WI] 410-A.</p> <p>Dan Anderson P. O. Box 2752 Iowa City IA 52244-2752</p>	<p>03 BUY / TRADE</p> <p>I'm still looking for small paper items, such as old transit tickets and passes, timetables, merchant coupons, chitys, money-like items, admission tickets / passes for fairs, expos, railroads, military, celebrations, exhibitions, conventions, etc. For you I have cash, transit tokens, transit tickets and transfers. Please write.</p> <p>Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>	<p>I'd like to hear from any-one whowants to sell or trade old paper items, such as transit tickets, merchant, coupons, etc.</p> <p>Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>
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25 SALE	25 SALE	26 SALE / TRADE
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ANOTHER AUCTION OF FOREIGN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS

Germany 600 AG, 740 AA thru BW, 760 AH, 780 AA thru AL, 835 AA, 100 RA, 390 F H J, 464 RA, 992 A. Guatemala 360 B C; (#1:) RECUERDO ENTRADE A' MAZATENANGO 1899/(LOCOMOTIVE) F.C. O DE G. WM 23 Sd. (#2:) RECUERDO ENTRADE SAN FELIPE 1892/(LOCOMOTIVE) F.C. O DE G. WM 23 Sd, pitted. Hungary 100 AB AC AD; Iran 750 BA thru BL, BN BO BP BQ; Ireland 280 AB, 820 B C (RARE!); Israel 400 AA AB, 600 BA. Italy 80 AA, 120 AA AB, 400 AA, 430 BA, 520 AA AB AD AE AF, 660 BA thru BN, 700 AA, 800 AA. Jamaica 420 A B C. HAROLD V. FORD - 43 ARROYO DRIVE - MORAGA, CA 94556

THERE WILL BE SOMETHING NEW AT THE A.V.A. CONVENTION THIS YEAR!

We are planning to add a Silent Auction. You may submit a list to the Auction Chairman of what you would like to have put on a separate table, or bring to the convention, and people at the auction can write down their bid. If someone else wants to bid more, he puts his name and new bid on the sheet. We are looking for related paraphernalia which do not fit our usual auction items, such as Joel's full size and working fare box. The AVA also has some related stamping dies for tool checks and land tokens which will be up for bid. The AVA will take a 5% commission of the final selling price. This is a good place for token holders, conductor's coin changers, non-cataloguable tokens, or anything like that. Please let the chairman know what you would like to submit, or bring to Coeur d'Alene, so he can arrange for space, bidsheets, shipping, etc. E-mail offers are gladly accepted at AMIKAYMH@AOL.COM or fax 361-854-3946, or to Keith Hanel - 4614 Stonegate Way - Corpus Christi, Texas 78411-4829.

40 WANTED	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
<p>[PA] 840-D; 998-O; Paper Fare Tickets and transfers from Scranton PA. Charles Wroblewski 206 Green Street Clarks Freen PA 18411-1212</p>	<p>Parking: [CA] 3090-Ab; 3705-D; 3845-B; [FL] 3300-Ac; [IL] 3018-A; 3190-Bb; 3365-Ab; 3385-D, K; 3405-A; 3417-A; [IN] 3020-Ab; 3930-E; [IA] 3030-Aa, Ab; 3640-Ac; [KY] 3510-Ba; 3560-A; [MI] 3155-Ab; 3265-Cc; 3845-Ca; [MN] 3300-Ab; [MO] 3455-A; [NJ] 3215-B; [NM] 3810-C; [NY] 3240-Bb; Cc; 3435-C; [NC] 3660-Ca; [OK] 3810-A; [OR] 3700-D; [PA] 3020-A, B; [SD] 3840-C; [WA] 3780-K, P, AR; AT; [WV] 3590-A; [WI] 3410-E, Ha. Irwin Reuben 1319 Epworth Avenue Dayton OH 45410-2615</p>	<p>Zone checks, metal or plastic. All states. Pay up to 3¼X catalogue. Also want [IA] 30-C & 640--H. Doug Redies 2535 Windsor Avenue Apartment 119 Dubuque IA 52001-</p>
<p>Your help is wanted. My [CA] 450-P is green. Is this an error or an unlisted token? Please let me know if your [CA] 450 is other than black. Bill Garrison 9505 Normandy Avenue Morton Grove IL 60053-1337</p>		<p>MANAGER'S ANSWER</p> <p>We have been asked by some members, if we have e-mail. Our answer to this is "No we do not have e-mail, nor do we even have a computer. Sorry."</p>

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There are still about 20 copies remaining of the three-year Supplement which updates Volume I of the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue up thru December 1998. Price \$4, which includes postage.

There are still just six copies remaining of the loose-leaf version of Volume I of the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue (punched for 3-ring binder, which is not included of course). Price \$30 postpaid.

AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION
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Just received from Bill Del Palacio are the two new San Jose, CA, tokens which just went into use in that city. The New Issues Service has obtained a supply for its members. Products of Roger Williams Mint, the tokens are a 23mm copper adult fare, and a 20mm brass youth fare. Bill adds, "You'll note that they are good on the buses only, not on the light rail. I'm told that this is because the light rail fare collection boxes aren't geared to accept the tokens. Hard to believe, isn't it? Still the newest light rail line which opened in December (up to Mountain View) was giving free rides at the end of February because they hadn't yet received the machines to sell the fare tickets at any of the line's stations. Now they are talking of extending one of the older lines farther into South San Jose."

Bill also sent along a clipping about the new electric streetcar line in San Francisco that runs along the Embarcadero from the Ferry Building to Fisherman's Wharf using antique streetcars. I can't wait to ride it this coming summer.

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The policy of offering free ads for AVA members was instituted by The Fare Box 51 years ago. At the time it was considered reckless, but time has confirmed its good sense, and now just about every token publication has a similar policy. Incidentally, I believe THE FARE BOX was the very first publication for tokens collectors of any sort.

Our policy is also the most generous. Members may have up to 3 column inches in every category. But please limit your ads to tokens catalogued in AVA publications. And do not ask us to keep repeating the same ad month after month. It should be different each time.

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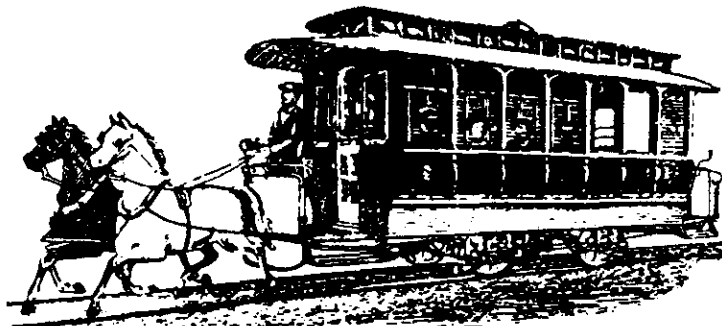
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April 3. I regret having to report the deaths of Kenneth Smith, our cataloguer of overseas tokens, and of Canadian member Kenneth Palmer. Remarks about them are inside this issue, together with additional remarks about M.E. Hartkopf.

Elsewhere in this issue I report a new token for the Connecticut Trolley Museum which will be supplied by the New Issues Service. Since typing that page, I've learned from Steven Kellner that of the 5,000 tokens made by Roger Williams Mint, 4,700 were WM-plated brass (that's the one N.I.S. will send out). But they had 300 of them delivered in unplated brass. How they will use these I do not know.

Last month I mentioned a stranger inscribed ROYAL OAK STATION, 25mm bronze. Don Stewart has since learned that the token was used in 1993 at a car wash in Burnaby, B.C., situated in Metrotown, a big shopping mall.

Bill Sowell just picked up a token inscribed MERRILL GO ROUND (in a logo shaped like a bus) on obverse, and GOOD FOR ONE RIDE on reverse. He was told it's from Wisconsin, though it came from a New Mexico transit buff. From the photocopy I can't tell if it's wood or plastic. We're checking on it.

Ted Meyers reported a 25mm aluminum token with blank reverse, inscribed GRAYSLAKE METRA on obverse. Bill Garrison investigated, and after driving to Grayslake in person, he learned that the tokens are used at the Metra Parking Lot for commuters riding the trains to Chicago (Metra is the Chicago commuter rail system). The token has a face value of \$1.00.

We learned recently of the possibility of a new fare token in use in the Virgin Islands by VITRAN. Bill Garrison called VITRAN in Frederickstad, and was told they use only cash, no tokens at all. VITRAN is government operation that took over from Abramson Enterprises Inc., which did issue a token (VI 500 A). May we assume that the 500 A is now obsolete?

Every so often someone asks about Unidentified #14, the 16mm brass Atlantic Greyhound return fare token. No one has ever figured out where, how, or on what these were used. From the Meyer & Wenthe records we do know that 1,000 of them were delivered to an address in Columbia, SC, in October, 1945. There is one mystery I'd like to have solved.

Only 3 weeks since the last issue. We're trying to catch up.



Ken Smith, cataloguer of overseas transportation tokens, and of video arcade amusement tokens, was present at the creation. Charter and Life Member #27, his membership in the A.V.A. extended for the full 52 years of our existence.

Originally from Minnesota, as a college student Ken worked as conductor on the streetcars of Twin City Rapid Transit, while Quincy Laflin, a former president of the A.V.A., worked as motorman. After graduating from the University of Minnesota, Ken worked all over the country, especially in Texas as an engineer. He finally settled in southern California, working as an engineer in the aerospace industry.

He built the world's finest collection of foreign transportation tokens, and his U.S. collection was also one of the finest. Many of the rarest census tokens resided in his collection, often one of a kind. He purchased Roland Atwood's collection of foreign transportation tokens, and the U.S. collection of former A.V.A. member B.H. Baake of Baltimore.

For decades his catalogues of foreign transportation tokens were the only available sources of information on these tokens, but as the hobby began to mature in Europe several other fine catalogues of these tokens have appeared, notably the catalogue of German transportation tokens by AVA member Günter Fritz (with U. Frenzel), and the catalogue of French transportation tokens by former AVA member Roland Elie, and the catalogues of Australian ferry tokens by former AVA member Frank Seckold, and the excellent catalogue of German transportation tokens used in cities that are now part of Poland, by Bogumit Sikorski.

I first met Ken in the summer of 1952. I was arriving in Los Angeles aboard the Sunset Limited from New Orleans. Ken and his wife met me at the station and took me to dinner at an authentic Chinese restaurant. In the half century since then we have exchanged letters dozens of times, and our paths have crossed at a lot of AVA conventions. Always serious, enormously knowledgeable, Ken was a fountain of information, and I enjoyed his company because I could learn so much from his reminiscences about the hobby. Over the years we've printed a number of his articles in The Fare Box.

His departure from the scene leaves a void in our hobby, and a certain emptiness in me, for the loss of old friends always reminds one of his own mortality. Ken died March 29, at age 77. Aside from myself, he was the last remaining Charter Member of the American Vecturist Association.

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THE FOLLOWING HORSECAR TOKENS FOR MY COLLECTION:

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- C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE "Real Estate" #540-H;
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- JACKSON TENN. #375-A (Without Center Hole)

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303/671-0650



MARVIN EUGENE HARTKOPF

When one of us dies, I confess that sometimes I am unable to write much about him, or her. Such was the case with M.E. Hartkopf of Jenkins, MO. I was able only to give him a couple of lines in the December issue. Since then I've received a much better record of him, and in these words from his family, Marvin Eugene Hartkopf becomes alive, again, for a moment. Here he is:

M.E. Hartkopf was born in Austin, TX, February 25, 1934, and at age 5 worked on his grandfather's dairy farm. From age 12 he was independent, traveling and working from coast to coast in the lower 48 states.

In 1951 he joined the USAF and off and on until his retirement in 1977 spent most of the time in the US Navy, often traveling to a lot of places on this globe. Throughout his life he was a collector of many things, coins in particular. After retirement he moved to SW Missouri and bought, then operated a country store. A robbery of his collection turned M.E. into a token collector. "Avid collector" does not begin to describe him as many friends, domestic and foreign, could tell. He belonged to NATCA, AVA, and TAMS.

M.E.'s battle with cancer was long and brave. He was one of a kind and greatly missed by many. As he wished, any day now he will be buried at sea, leaving behind a wife of 38 years and four sons. He died October 27, 1999.

KENNETH PALMER

Kenneth Palmer, AVA 618, joined us in 1964, and was one of the most active of our Canadian constituents. It was he who unraveled the mystery of the Border Cities Auto Stage tokens which for years were listed from Texas, but which turned out to be from Windsor, Ontario. He also it was who proved that the WAY OF THE ASS tokens listed from Dayton, Ohio, had really been struck by a Canadian firm a number of years after the line that supposedly used them went out of business.

Ken had been in failing health for some time, and died at home in Hamilton on January 14. He was born in the town of Tara, Ontario, in 1918.

He was one of the founders of the Canadian Association of Token Collectors, and served as editor of its publication, the CEE TEE for 23 years, and as secretary and treasurer of that society for some 25 years. A true scholar of numismatic history, Ken was author of literally hundreds of articles in many publications.

In 1999 he received the J. Douglas Ferguson Award for his many contributions to Canadian numismatics. Known and respected throughout Canadian numismatics, and by his many American correspondents and friends, his loss leaves a void that will never be filled. But his life was one that enriched us all in the hobby, and beyond.

I am grateful to the CANADIAN TOKEN (CEE TEE) for some of the above information.

THE CAR WASH TOKEN N.I.S.

The Car Wash Token New Issues Service is just getting off the ground, and Roger Bolz, its manager, reports that a number of members have signed on. But there's still lots of room, and if you are interested you should write him directly.

Members would be expected to make a deposit of at least \$25, and tokens would be sent to its members at cost or catalogue value plus a nominal 35¢ mark-up which would cover everything: postage, insurance, envelopes, etc.

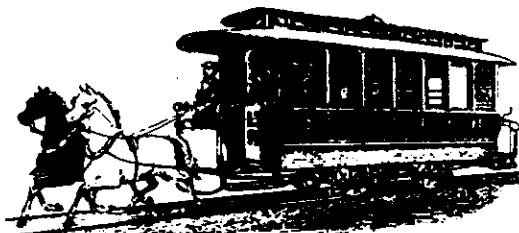
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PRICES REALIZED AT SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION TOKEN CLUB MAIL AUCTION OF MARCH 10, 1950

1. Colo 300 B.....No bid	18. Va 720 B & C.....\$0.75	34. Ohio 10 C.....No bid
2. Colo 540 D.....\$0.18	19. Wis 500 D......75	35. Calif 450 F.....No bid
3. Mo 130 C.....1.65	20. D.C. 500 U & V.. .75	36. Calif 775 A.....\$1.30
4. Tenn 430 D.....1.75	21. Ky 510 dH (2v.).. .85	37. Calif 775 B.....1.30
5. Ill 795 I.....2.65	22. Mich 845 V,W & ..1.15	38. Calif 985 C......10
6. Ill 795 J.....2.85	65 H......69	39. Wash paper ticket... .10
7. Ia 230 K & Ka.....5.19	23. Mich 935 F......35	40. Ore 880 B......20
8. Ia 230 K.....2.29	24. Costa Rica 50c.No bid	41. Ohio 440 C.....1.50
9. Ia 230 Ka.....2.29	25. Pa 750 D.....2.48	42. Pa 195 F......75
10. U.S.-25 tokens..2.25	26. Hagener, Ger. \$.. .50	43. 35 diff. US Pac Cst. N.B.
11. U.S.-25 tokens..2.20	27. " & Boch-Gels F.1.00	44. Alaska 500 A.....4.30
12. Ky 510 AG & AJ.. .75	28. Wash 720 A.....1.00	45. Ky 510 BE.....No bid
13. NY 945 F......25	29. Wash 720 A(thin)1.00	46. Ky 510 BD......30
14. Ohio 230 L......30	30. Calif 100 C......50	47. Iowa 150 B.....1.85
15. Ohio 440 C......85	31. Idaho 440 I......37	48. 25 diff. US (South).2.55
16. Okla 610 B......30	32. Idaho 100 K......20	49. 25 diff. 16mm US...2.55
17. Pa 480 B.....1.30	33. Pa 165 A......20	50. 25 diff. US mixed...2.60

The prices realized for many of the tokens in this auction are astoundingly high. The Mo 130 C brought \$1.65, yet an ad appears in this very issue offering that same token for only \$1.00! The tokens either known or thought to be rare pulled amazingly high prices, as usual. Lots 4, 5, and 6 brought far above atwood although most collectors who have been active over a year have these tokens. The red cell of Lancaster, Ohio, appearing twice in this auction, brought prices far above anything expected. That token is quite common, and 25¢ is approximately what it is worth; the fact that it is a cell makes it appear particularly appealing to the newer collectors among us, I suppose. And the one that brought \$1.50 had a slight flaw in it to boot! Lot 16 brought an appropriately reduced price, and Lot 19's price shows that that token is heading toward the price which belongs to it. The rarest single token in the auction, Alaska 500 A, brought the highest price for a single token, in this case being over four times atwood! All in all, I should say that these prices indicate that our hobby is in a healthy, dynamic, and active condition. Collectors are still eager to get good tokens for their collections, regardless of the official valuation in the Check List. Good tokens bring good prices!

This issue will be mailed about five days late, in order that this list of prices realized may be included. I hope that collectors agree with me that the short delay was well worth while.

Fifty years ago I was still a student at Yale University, and was publishing The Fare Box from New Haven. The March, 1950, issue contained 8 pages, and reported 4 new members (#92-95), among them Morton H. Dawson who is still with us. Perhaps most interesting: a list of prices realized from an auction held by the now defunct Seattle Transportation Token Club. The catalogue numbers are from the old 1948 Check List which we were then using. The prices and my comments about them are kind of interesting, half a century later. I am reproducing the front page of that issue, in reduced format, above.

SUPPLEMENT #27 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

By Harold V. Ford

MISSOURI

Arnold 15

COLIN'S CARWASH ARNOLD, MO C

B Bz 25 Sd Non Refundable No Cash Value C hm .50

Springfield 860 (ex unid 393)

COLONIAL CAR WASH NON-REFUNDABLE 25c

C Bz 25 Sd hh (eagle on emblem over wreath)(stars) .50

St. Louis 910 (ex unid 415)

WATERWORKS (incuse)

I Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 1.00

NEW JERSEY

Bloomingtondale 65 (ex unid 404)

BLOOMINGDALE CAR WASH SELF-SERVE TOUCHLESS AUTOMATIC

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) .50

NEW YORK

Lansing 457 (ex unid 402)

LANSING CARWASH T.C.W. ASSOCIATES 1901 EAST SHORE DR.

A B 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) 1.00

Schenectady 830 (ex unid 362)

COLONIAL CAR WASH (COLONIAL HEAD)

D B 29 Sd In Carwash We Trust hh 2.50

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City 640

GOOD FOR 1 CLEAR WATER AUTOMATIC CAR WASH

C B 27 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value VB (crown)
(WM-plated) 3.00

PENNSYLVANIA

Benton 77 (ex unid 403)

BARCHIKS CAR WASH (STARS)

A B 23 Sd Free Car Wash hh (stars) .50

NORTH CAROLINA

Greenville 390 (ex unid 261)

5th STREET CA WASH INCREDIBLY CLEAN rwm

A B 25 Sd Carwash Token (antique car) .50

TEXAS

Pearland 718

TIDAL WAVE CARWASH 281-485-8777 PEARLAND, TEXAS hm

A B 25 Sd (cartoon auto facing left)(stars) .50

South Padre Island 860

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND TOKEN ISLE (AUTO) WASH (INCUSE LOGO)

A Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hh .50

MARCH SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE
By Harold V. Ford

CALIFORNIA

El Monte 255				(Reported by Al Kohlhardt)	
				CITY OF EL MONTE/TROLLEY CO./(TROLLEY)	
B	B	25	Sd	Token/HH (* 2/00) (5,000 struck)	\$0.50
San Jose 775				(Reported by Kohlhardt and Bail)	
				SANTA CLARA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/ ADULT/VTA® (LOGO)	
N	K	23	Sd	Single Ride/Adult/A/RWM (* 1/2000)	1.25
				SANTA CLARA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/ YOUTH/VTA® (LOGO)	
O	B	20	Sd	Single Ride/Youth/Y/RWM (* 1/2000)	.70

FLORIDA

Miscellaneous 1000				(Reported by Louis Crawford)	
				EUROPA/SEA KRUIZ/DINE DANCE CASINO (incuse)/8 HOUR CASINO CRUISE/ST. PETE, CLW. AREA/HALF OFF REG./ PRICE OF \$50.00/(813) 393-5110/EXP. JUNE 30, 1995/ CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS/MAY APPLY	
N	A	39	Sd	Coca-Cola/Gasparilla/Piracy Fest '95/February 3-5, 1995/ Tampa, Florida/(logo) (reeded edge)	

GEORGIA

Atlanta 60				(Reported by Louis Crawford)	
				MARTA®/(BUS, VAN "MARTA" on roof, and TRAIN)	
AO	Bz	23	Sd	Super Bowl/XXXIV/2000 (in shield logo)//Sunday January 30/Atlanta Georgia (obv. & rev. all or partially incuse except "Super Bowl")	1.50

INDIANA

Lafayette 520				(Reported by HF)	
				CITY BUS OF GREATER LAFAYETTE/CITY BUS/ GREATER LAFAYETTE/HM (BUS)	
J	B	25	Sd	One Fare/City Bus of Greater Lafayette/City Bus/ Greater Lafayette/(bus) (* 1999)	.50

MICHIGAN

Howell 475				(Reported by Bill Garrison)	
				L.E.T.S./\$1.00 FARE/(517) 546-6600/(BUS)	
D	Pb	28	Sd	(blank) (white inscription on obverse)	1.00
				L.E.T.S./\$2.00 FARE/(517) 546-6600/(BUS)	
E	Po	28	Sd	(blank) (white inscription on obverse)	2.00

MONTANA

Missoula 660				(Reported by Bill Garrison)	
				A CAROUSEL FOR MISSOULA/RIDE TOKEN/(CAROUSEL HORSE)	
I	B	25	Sd	Columbia Belle/(carousel horse) (* 2000)	.50
J	B	25	Sd	Leo The Lionheart/HM/(carousel horse) (* 2000)	.50
K	B	25	Sd	Star Boy/HM/(carousel horse) (* 2000)	.50

PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia 750				(Reported by Ralph Brown)	
				6 th St/*LINE*/GOOD FOR/A RIDE	
BFo	B	Ov	Sd	Omni Bus/Line/(omnibus) (27x17mm)	150.00

WISCONSIN

Manitowoc 420 (ex Unidentified 266) 3/2000
NORTHWESTERN HOUSE/GOOD/FOR/ONE RIDE
K o B Oc Sd (blank)(27mm)(obverse letters are incuse) \$100.00

UNIDENTIFIED (Reported by Alan Weinberg)

A. & P./PIKE/2 HORSE/WEST 3/2000
273 B 28 Sd H. RICE/MAKER/DAYTON, O (all letters incuse)

ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS

WI 420 F - should be 27mm, not 26mm. 3/2000

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

Obviously the supply of El Monte, CA 255 A was running low. Hence a new order from a different mint this time. The fare is now 50¢. N.I.S. will handle.

The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, VTA, issued two new tokens early this year, struck by Roger Williams Mint. They are good for a local fare throughout the vast area this authority serves from Gilroy to Mt. View. Cash fare is \$1.25 adult, 70¢ youth. Tokens sell at 20% discount: 10 for \$20 adult, and 10 for \$5.50 youth. Bill Garrison obtained a supply for the N.I.S.

Louis Crawford recently located a small supply of the FL 1000 listing. Background information is contained on the obverse inscription.

Atlanta's MARTA recently issued another special event token, this time honoring the 34th NFL Super Bowl which that city hosted. This token has already been sent out to New Issues Service members in a recent mailing.

The Lafayette, IN 520 J is the only token now in use in Lafayette. It has been used for about a year and sells for 50¢. Failing to make a connection by phone, Bill Garrison drove there in order to purchase a supply for N.I.S.

Livingstone Essential Transit Service (LETS) of Howell, MI, reordered plastic tokens recently and they are entirely different. Bill Garrison obtained supplies of both for the New Issues Service.

Three more new issues for A Carousel for Montana which Bill Garrison obtained for the N.I.S. Each carousel horse has a different appearance. Future issues are planned with other carousel horses on the reverse. Note that MT 660 I lacks a mintmark on its reverse.

The oldie from Philadelphia is similar to the listed PA 750 G, so check the specimen in your collection. I think this token will be offered in this year's AVA Convention Auction.

The new Manitowoc, WI, listing is the same size and shape as the listed 420 F, hence we decided to list it from that city. It is probably the earlier issue of the two. Both specimens measure a bit over 26.5mm.

The Unidentified #273 token is now the third listing for the A & P Pike, the other two being #75 and #260. There should be a "2 horse east" yet to be found.

Louis Crawford picked up a 23mm red plastic token--it looks like a small poker chip--inscribed simply with the letter J on each side. This token is used as a bus token at a small middle school in California. If the only thing the token is used for is for a bus ride, we'll list it. But if it's also good for other things, it would not be listable, as it's pretty generic. The J is the initial of the school. Stay tuned.

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-20 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

PTUN (3121 & 2 reported by M Simon)
UNION BANK / DEL AMO
3121 B 25 Sd Courtesy / Parking
EDISON PARKING CORP. / EDISON (second EDISON incuse) PARK / FAST
3122 B 25 Sd Parking / Token (auto)
VILLAGE OF MAYWOOD / 1869 / WE TRY-WE CARE (caduceus-3 men-tree scene)
3123 WM 23 Sd Meyer & Wenthe / Chicago (Reported by E Bawden)
CHILE (Reported by M Simon)
SANTIAGO-3680
PARQUIMETROS S. A. (two grooves)
A o WM 22 Sd (blank)(two arrows)(one groove) 4.00
(R: Arrows point...)
a. (right)
b. (left)

= ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS =

WI-3510-BQ: delete (O&R: (prop)
WI-3510-BR: add (O&R: (prop)

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

The Edison PTUN should be showing up somewhere. The reverse is modern. Maybe New York City??

PTUN-3123 is an interesting piece. Is it a parking token? a transit piece? hospital maybe? a pattern? regular issue? Any info would be welcome.

Marvin obtained the Chile tokens about 15 years ago from a parking gate installer. A couple of really neat pieces.

Ed Bawden picked up a couple of tokens I had described in the May 1998 issue of the FB. There were some differences:

CONTROL TOKEN / VB / NO CASH VALUE (9mm steel center)
B 23 Sd Control Token / CT / 06 / No Cash Value
Here are a few others Ed has with no background as to use:
EUROCOIN / TM (all incuse)
B 23 Sd (same as obverse)
C T L
WM 19 Sd (logo)
P P Co
WM 21 Sd (blank)
FRIDEN / SERVICE CENTER
WM 20 Sd (same as obverse)
DOCTORS / HOSPITAL
B 21 Sd No / Cash / Value

If anyone has any information on any of these, drop me a line and we'll pass it on to the membership.

Irwin Reuben noted an error in the catalogue I overlooked. He also picked up PTUN-3096 recently. The 2x2 holder had DENTON, TEXAS written on it. Could a nearby member check out that site for us?

Many times I have been fortunate enough to obtain leads on unlisted items. I try getting information and unfortunately, often there is no response from the facility in question. When that occurs, I make mention of this in these notes so that others can try and if successful should pass any information on to me for the benefit of our members.

When you order the FIFTH EDITION direct from me at \$42 postpaid, I'll also send a copy of the UP-DATE of all new tokens listed since its publication.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

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<p>01 AUCTION (close May 5)</p> <p>Best offer over 3X catalogue plus postage on each item: [ME] 480-B; [NY] 631-V; [TN] 430-A; [WI] 330-A. Best offer over 2X catalogue plus postage: [NC] 240-A. Best offer over \$20.00 plus postage: [WI] 360-A (noted in center).</p> <p>Edwin I. Bogucki MD 533 E. Springfield Road Springfield PA 19064-3335</p>	<p>30 TRADE</p> <p>One each of the following: [OH] 730-G. Two different Marion OH plastics, blue & red, not yet listed. [CA] 745-AD; 197-B; [OR] 400-G, Hñ [WV] 890-Z, AA; [NC] unlisted Charlotte token.</p> <p>Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718</p>	<p>25 SALE</p> <p>Nevada City Railway Co. One Fare 5 Cents (Street-car)(vars 2); [MO] 640-A \$75.00 postpaid.</p> <p>Bill Fox 15716 So. Ingleside Dolton IL 60419-2764</p>
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(Ads continued on next page)

40 WANTED	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
<p>Carwash tokens from the following states: FL] 105-A, B; 300-A; 380-A; 460-A; 595-A; 620-D; 725-A, B; 740-A; 840-A, B; 881-A; 985-B; [UT] 100-C, D; 150-C; 295-A; 325-A; 400-A, B; 450-A; 465-A; 560-A; 650-D, F; 750-F thru I, L; 760-C, E, G. I will pay well for any of them.</p> <p>Bob Nolan 3964 Drexel Road Pittsburgh PA 15212-1512</p>	<p>Transportation tokens of Scotland: AYR 150-AA, AC, AD, AE; Kilmarnock 570-AA, AB, AC, BA, BB; Glasgow 420-B, D, F, H, I, J, P, Q, AB, AC, AD, AE, AI, AN, AO, AR, AS, AT; Rothesay: 760-E, F.</p> <p>Ronnie Breingan 3 Monkwood Place Alloway AYR KA7 4UL Scotland</p>	<p>"Commemorative Tokens" (non-Rev.) First Ride/Last Ride, etc. for public transit systems. Also tokens that are made from melting down material from vehicles or structures. Looking for photos/slides of transit architecture to show at Preservation Society Convention. Please call (215) 755-7717.</p> <p>Joel Spivak 616 Carpenter Street Philadelphia PA 19147-2908</p>
	<p>Personal tokens wanted. I need 1002, Wolfe and 1780, Seipelt. Have a few trades or will purchase.</p> <p>Bob Harris 1110 Jefferson SE Albuquerque NM 87108-4451</p>	

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- 3000 COLIN C. JUNG - 1544 Norland Drive - Sunnyvale, California 94087-4433
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- 3001 LAURENCE HAMPTON - 3320 Clay Street - Wheaton, Maryland 20902
Age 46; HVAC/Warehouse Driver. Collects U.S. (Crawford)
- 3002 HARVEY McDANIEL - 16524 Donahoo Road - Basehor, Kansas 66007
Age 52. Collects U.S. (Schneider)

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- 1008 Pedro Chiclana Rosario - Country Club JA-18, Calle 220 - San Juan, PR 00924
- 2182 Carl I. Packer - RR #2, Box 362 - Dalton, Pennsylvania 18414-9055

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 1451 Douglas Borden - 65 Milrace Dr. - East Rochester, NY 14445-1101 (as of May 1)
- 2941 Lawrence C. Koenig - 84 Lenox Ave. - Hicksville, NY 11801
(new phone: 516-942-0406. email: wa2ynh@bellatlantic.net)

NEW FARE TOKEN FOR CONNECTICUT TROLLEY MUSEUM By Steven Kellner

The Connecticut Electric Railway Assn.'s Connecticut Trolley Museum in Warehouse Point is using a new token good for one adult fare, to commemorate their 60th anniversary. The token was produced for the museum by Roger Williams Mint. The order of 5,000 tokens was received at the museum on March 9. The token is nickel-plated brass, 23mm. Obverse: "CELEBRATING SIXTY YEARS" around the outside and "CONNECTICUT TROLLEY MUSEUM" above a trolley and "RWM" below the trolley. Reverse: "GOOD FOR ONE FARE". The adult fare at the museum is \$6, also the value of the token.

I talked with the officers of the museum including the treasurer and they have decided to make these tokens available to the A.V.A. New Issues Service for half price (\$3.00 per token).

The Connecticut Trolley Museum wants to continue a good relationship with the A.V.A. after hosting the convention in 1997.

[The New Issues Service will be sending the token to its members.]

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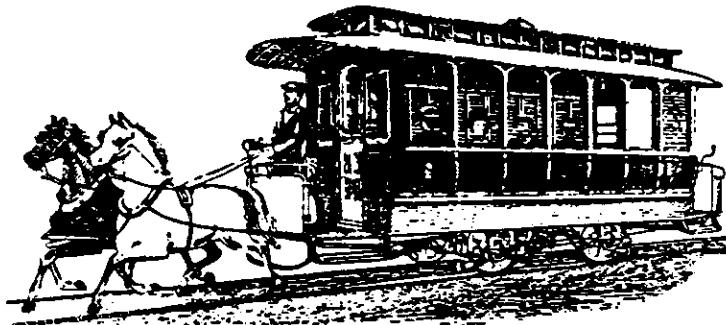
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Our 634th Issue

May 1. Inside this issue is an announcement for our Fiftieth Annual Convention, to be held this year August 10-13 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, which is one of America's great beauty spots. Because this is our 50th Annual Convention we have gone all out, using a magnificent hotel, and issuing a pure .999 silver dollar-size One Ounce tour token. Your registration fee includes the token. Extras will be \$15. Meanwhile, Joel is thinking perhaps of Kansas City, MO, for 2001.

Our New Issues Manager, Bill Sowell, has moved to California. You may address him at P.O. Box 1235 - Cathedral City, CA 92235-1235. Don't use the Vancouver address as he isn't there any more. Soon I shall have new colored mastheads prepared showing Bill's new address.

Incidentally, Bill says that the high face value of tokens these days means he will have to raise the minimum balance N.I.S. members must maintain. Three of the last four shipments were in excess of the \$10 minimum balance. "When the shipment total is more than minimum, tokens must be held back to comply with the N.I.S. policy of Not Extending Credit To Anyone." Bill adds that on shipment 00-3, there were 20 members who didn't receive the CT 550 D because they did not have the \$14.01 cost of the shipment in their account. So Bill thinks he ought to raise the minimum balance to \$15. I agree. The New Issues Service is one of the most valuable of the many benefits of A.V.A. membership.

Bill Garrison sends a clipping from a Chicago newspaper, reporting that airlines at Dulles Airport near D.C. use tokens for passengers with over-size carry-on luggage. "The tokens allow passengers to bypass the template." Just what this is all about we hope to learn soon. Bill will try to find out. The article is vague as to just where the tokens are used, or what they look like.

Hal Ford recently acquired a stranger, 30mm brass, with the common "Good For One Carousel Ride" reverse, and "Children's Antique Carousel Circa 1920 Sardiña Studios (carousel horse)" on obverse. Where is "Sardiña Studios"? He also picked up a current token from Monterrey, Mexico. Brass 25mm "METRO MB (LOGO) METROBUS 1999 MONTERREY N.L. MEXICO" on obverse, and "BUS" on reverse. So how do we go about getting a few? Any ideas? Both tokens incidentally, bear the HM mintmark.

Just received: the sad news of the death of former member Walter Sweet of Minneapolis. He was AVA #843, and died toward the end of March.



APRIL SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE

By Harold V. Ford

CALIFORNIA

Hanford 340				(Reported by John Coffee & Louis Crawford)	
				KINGS COUNTY/COMMISSION ON AGING/(BUS)	
A	A	29	Sd	Senior/Ride/Route/Token/RWM (anodized blue)	\$1.00
				KINGS AREA RURAL TRANSIT/KART BUS TOKEN/HH/(BUS)	
B	B	25	Sd	Your Patronage is Appreciated/No Cash Value/ Good For/One Fare	1.00
				ADVENTURE/PARK/COME FOR THE ADVENTURE/ STAY FOR THE FUN/HH/(PALM TREE)	
C	Z	25	Sd	Non Refundable/No Cash Value/Ride Token/1/HH (bronze-plated)	1.00
D	B	25	Sd	Non Refundable/No Cash Value/Ride Token/1/HH	4.50
				ADVENTURE/PARK/COME FOR THE ADVENTURE/ STAY FOR THE FUN/HM/(PALM TREE)	
E	B	27	Sd	Non Refundable/No Cash Value/Ride Token/1/HM (WM-plated)	4.00

CONNECTICUT

Warehouse Point 550				(Reported by Steven Kellner)	
				CONNECTICUT/(STREETCAR)/TROLLEY MUSEUM/ CELEBRATING/SIXTY YEARS/RWM	
D	B	23	Sd	Good For/One Fare (WM-plated) (4,700 struck) (* 3/9/00)	6.00

IOWA

Des Moines 300				(Reported by HF)	
				DES MOINES METROPOLITAN/TRANSIT AUTHORITY/ (BUS with MTA incused on front)/HM	
P	B	27	Sd	Full/Fare/(skyline scene incuse)/Des Moines (incuse) (2/14/00)	1.00

MICHIGAN

Escanaba 285				(Reported by Eli Bail & Bill Garrison)	
				DELTA AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY/DATA/786-1184/ (TROLLEY)/HM	
P	B	29	Sd	Michigan's Upper Peninsula/No Cash Value/Good For \$1.00/ Towards Bus Ride/(map of Upper Peninsula) (WM-plated)	1.00

ERRORS & CORRECTIONS

MI 285 O: on obverse the mintmark should be HM, not HH

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

Hanford, CA 340 A and B were mentioned on page 93 of the September 1999 Fare Box. CA 340 A, and 960 B and C, are used here as senior fare tokens. Maybe the supply of the 960 tokens was running low so they made a new issue. CA 340 B is a regular adult token. The three listings for Adventure Park were mentioned on page 15 of the February 2000 Fare Box. CA 340 C measures 25.02mm, 340 D measures 25.4mm, and 340 E 27.24mm. They are used for race car, bumper car, and boat rides, in that order. The N.I.S. will not handle any of these due to lack of availability of quantities at the source. Very limited mintage.

Connecticut Electric Railway Association's trolley museum in Warehouse Point issued a new token this year good for one adult fare to commemorate its 60th anniversary. This was the site of the AVA Convention tour back in 1997. They made a supply available for our New Issues Service at a discount.

The Des Moines, IA 300 P listing was mentioned in the February 2000 Fare Box. Bill Garrison called the local authority and obtained a supply for N.I.S.

Delta Area Transit Authority of Escanaba, MI, recently reordered tokens. The new listing is like 285 O, but WM-plated. Please note the mintmarks on both tokens are the same hm. New Issues Service will distribute this one to its members.

Delaware River Bridges (PA 263) appears to be using at least two new issues. I have seen two tokens without mintmarks, same basic inscription as PA 263 C, but die work of 263 D (small lettering around the edge on both sides). On the obverse one has a dash between PENNSYLVANIA-NEW JERSEY. The other, same die work, lacks the dash. Can a local member check these out?

YEAR 2000 A.V.A. ANNUAL CONVENTION AT COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO

The 50th Annual Convention of the American Vecturist Association will be held August 10,11,12 in Idaho at the Coeur d'Alene Inn, which is immediately off I-90 at the west end of the state at State Route 95. If you fly in, land at Spokane. The Inn will pick you up and return you to the airport for a \$40 round-trip fee. Because this is our 50th Annual Convention, we've chosen a premium hotel (normally \$139 to \$169 per night). Although we have the use of all of their facilities--I strongly recommend you all going into town, visiting it and the Resort. To support our convention costs we need everyone's cooperation by staying at the Inn. Check-in time is 4 pm, and check-out is after brunch. Our special room rate is \$99 single or double. Call the hotel directly at 800-251-7829; tell them you're with the AVA group, and make your own reservations early.

Early birds will get to go on a Silver Mine Tour (Sierra Silver Mine in Wallace) on Thursday afternoon. Cost is \$6.50 per person (not included in convention fee). We'll be leaving for the mine from the Inn at 1:15 pm (it's about an hour drive). If you plan to go you MUST notify Joel Reznick when you register. When we all return we'll go to dinner in Coeur d'Alene together.

Friday the usual registration (9 am) and boursing till 4:30 pm, at which time we'll gather in the lobby to board our bus, to take us to our cocktail cruise on Lake Coeur d'Alene. When we finish we'll return to the Inn for our Annual Banquet at the Coeur d'Alene Inn.

Saturday A.M. will bring our Annual Auction, followed by lunch (individually purchased). Then about two more hours of boursing. We'll then travel by our own cars, in a trail, north on Route 95 to the Silverwood Amusement Park, where the featured ride (for us) is an old 2-6-2 steam loco and tender pulling 3 or 4 cars. This ride is about 4 miles long and takes about 25 minutes. There will be a number of picture shoots. After that we'll be at leisure at the park which features 3 roller coasters (including "Tremors" which goes undergorund and through their store), and an Ice Palace (where Olympic hopefuls will entertain us). There's also a large theatre where magic shows are given. We may stay as long as we wish (park closes 10 pm) at which time there will be a fireworks display. Since we've come in our own cars, groups of people can come and go as they choose.

Sunday AM will be our Business Meeting (auction winnings will be available), followed by the Head Frog's Brunch. Then farewell to another GREAT convention.

Please send your convention registration fee (\$80/person) to Joel J. Reznick at P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116, by June 30. After that, cost is \$95.

SUPPLEMENT #28 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

By Harold V. Ford

CALIFORNIA

Palmdale 618 (delete existing 618 A, this is 618 B relisted)
 THE WASHRAK CARWASH PALMDALE CA. (GIRL WASHING VW BUG)
 A B 29 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 1.00

Victorville 958 (relisting of CA 618 A)
 PALMDALE CAR WASH rwm VICTORVILLE HESPERIA (incuse)
 (PALM TREES)
 A o Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (convertible car) 2.00

NEW MEXICO

Roswell 760
 GOOD FOR-5-MINUTES AT DON & RETA'S LAUNDROMAT COIN LAUNDRY
 AND SOFSPRA CAR WASH 2514 NO.MAIN ROSWELL
 A o WM 27 Sd (Sofspra)(REV L)(1,000 struck 5/66) 7.50

SOUTH DAKOTA

Aberdeen 10
 GOOD FOR-5-MINUTES AT SOFSPRA NORTH 2nd ST. ABERDEEN,
 SOUTH DAKOTA
 A o WM 27 Sd (Sofspra) (REV. I)(1,000 struck 9/8/65) 7.50

UTAH

West Valley City 950
 JT'S CAR WASH 4011 SOUTH REDWOOD RD. WEST VALLEY CITY,
 UT 84119
 B B 29 Sd Automatic Car Wash No Cash Value (cartoon auto) 2.00

WASHINGTON

Spokane 840 (ex Unid 401)
 ARGONNE-MONTGOMERY CAR WASH (HAPPY FACE)
 E Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50
 Yakima 990 (ex Unid 406)
 TERRACE HEIGHTS CAR WASH SATISFACTION GUARANTEED OR DOUBLE
 YOUR DIRT BACK
 B Bz 25 Sd (same as obv.) .50

WEST VIRGINIA

Parkersburg 590
 PARKERSBURG CARWASH hm (EAGLE)
 A Bz 25 Sd (cartoon auto facing left)(stars) .50

WISCONSIN

Black River Falls 90 (ex Unid 417)
 4 SEASONS QUIK STOP rwm
 A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind).50
 Chilton 109
 SUNSHINE CAR WASH (SUN)
 A WM 25 Sd Chilton Wisconsin rwm (convertible car) .50

WYOMING

Gillette 260
 EZ AUTO WASH GILLETTE WYOMING
 A o Bz 23 Sd No Cash Value hh 2.50

UNIDENTIFIED

CENTER POINT rwm
 418 Bz 25 Sd Your Wash Your Way
 CEDAR PARK ESJ CAR WASH 430 N. BELL BLVD rwm (CONVERTIBLE CAR)
 419 Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value rwm
 DAN'S CAR WASH rwm
 420 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (convertible car)
 WATER WORKS CAR WASH 3512 HARRISBURG RD (ANTIQUE CAR UNDER FAUCET)
 421 Bz 25 Sd Good For One Dollar in Trade 100 hh
 CHUCK'S CAR WASH rwm
 422 Bz 23 Sd No Cash Value No Refund rwm
 CLASSY CLEAN AUTOMATIC CAR WASH (CARTOON AUTO FACING LEFT)
 423 Bz 27 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh
 SPARKLYN KLEEN CAR WASH hh
 424 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car)
 AUTOMATIC SOFT-BRUSH CAR WASH
 425 Bz 28 Sd (blank) (gilded)
 KWIK MART "KWIK AS A WINK" rwm GULF (IN LOGO)
 426 Bz 29 Sd Jenkins Neon Pine Mt. Jct. Isom Car Wash Token
 RUBBLE MACHINE (BUBBLES)
 427 B 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh
 ST. CLAIR AUTO WASH
 428 B 23 Sd Good For One Car Wash Speed Wash
 ROJO RED'S CAR WASH (MALE FACE)
 429 Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value VB (crown)
 La CYGNE CAR WASH (SWAN)
 430 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car)
 CDF BRUSHLESS CAR WASH (RAISED RECTANGLE)
 431 Bz 23 Sd Automatic Car Wash Token hh (antique car)
 HERITAGE CO-OP (CO-OP INSIDE A PENTAGRAM)
 432 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh
 HANDBAY CAR WASH NON REFUNDABLE HOME OIL SHORTSTOP CAR WASH
 (incuse) hm
 433 Bz 25 Sd Handbay Car Wash Good For One Cycle (\$ inside wreath)
 NATIONAL PRIDE CAR WASHES (EAGLES HEAD)
 434 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt Back hm
 PALISADE 76 ONE STOP rwm
 435 Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van, with horiz. lines behind)
 CARDINAL CLEAN CAR WASH (CARDINAL)
 436 B 23 Sd No Cash Value
 AMOCO CAR WASH
 437 B 29 Ch Discount Car Wash

CAR WASH CHAIN STOCK TOKENSGroup 180GULF

E B 29 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt Back hh
 F B 29 Sd " (WM-plated)

Group 270

TEXACO TURBO WASH (TRUCK, CAR, VAN, WITH HORIZ. LINES BEHIND)
 D B 25 Sd odo (2 slots)

AUCTION OF FOREIGN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS

(closes May 30)

AUSTRALIA 290 LA; Denmark 10 AF; France 480 AC AD AI; Germany 60 AA AB, 100 BA, 120 AA, 160 AA AB, 210 AD
 AK, 230 AA AB; Mexico 60 BA BB, 300 BA, 500 B, 540 BA BB, 570 BA, 600 A, 640 BA BB; Netherlands 300 AA,
 500 AA, 909 D E; New Zealand 240 AA; Norway 100 AA, 400 BA BB BC, 600 AB AC AD AH AJ AJ (WM-plated), AL
 AN, 750 AC; Paraguay 80 A; Peru 480 C D, 560 A; South Africa 160 B C D AB AG AH AL CA; Sweden 240 EA EB
 EF EH EJ FH FI FP GA GC, 300 B C E AFa AI AJa AOa BC BE BG BH BK CA CC, 360 AH, 405 BB, 490 BB, 500 AB
 AC AD AE AF, 520 B C, 600 AC AI AQ AS, 820 K M AC AE AF AG BO BY CZ EBa FN GI GL HJ IG IH Ima JOc JFa KB
 KC KE KG LY MG MNB OC, 830 DD DH, 870 AO AS.

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= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-21 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

FLORIDA (Reported by H Ford)
BAL HARBOUR-3050

BAL HARBOUR SHOPS (logo)
F B 25 Sd Parking / HH / Token (auto) 1.00

ILLINOIS

GRAYSLAKE-3367 (Reported by W Garrison)

GRAYSLAKE / METRA / RWM
A A 25 Sd (blank) (five concentric circles) 1.00

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

The only info I have on the Florida piece is that they are currently in use at Bal Harbour.

Amazing how a token comes to light!!! Bill Weber first heard of the GRAYSLAKE piece. He mentioned it to Ted Meyers who passed the info on to our hard working new issue gatherer Bill Garrison. Bill first tried the Chamber of Commerce. Then the Metra Railroad. Neither was aware of its existence. Finally, Bill drove to Grayslake, a mere 45 miles away to investigate. He wound up at City Hall where he found that the Metra parking lot used the tokens for commuter riders to Chicago. It has been in use for 4-5 years. All day parking is \$1.00. The lot is unattended and has numerous slotted deposit boxes into which you insert \$1.00 or a token. Will supply Rail tokens for distribution to our PATNIS members for which we thank him both for the tokens and the above info!

Children's Hospital in Columbus, OH is using the paper TOKENOTES for parking control.

The USDA Center in Riverdale, MD is using PIMS-3080-E.

I have a number of inquiries out for unlisted items. Will keep you posted.

FEISEL'S FIFTH EDITION is available direct from me at \$42.00 postpaid. Over 300 pages with index finder and up to date pricing. With the catalogue I'll send the UP-DATED SUPPLEMENT listing all previous listings with the Fare Box dates as listed. Anyone else wanting the UP-DATE SUPPLEMENT, the cost will be 10c per page plus postage. On 8 1/2x11 sheets.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

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THE FOLLOWING HORSECAR TOKENS FOR MY COLLECTION:

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- C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE #540-J
- JACKSON TENN. #375-A (Without Center Hole)

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01 AUCTION (close May 30)	10 COLLECTIONS:	25 SALE
<p>Best Offer over 2X Catalog. All PA TT's PA-15C, PA-320A PA-405A, PA-495G PA-515B, PA-725Da, PA-750BA PA-750AU (Unc) PA-765AK (Unc)</p> <p>Mike Jones, PO Box 848 Valley Forge, PA 19482 Tokenguv@aol.com</p>	<p>1984. Sale includes the 1996 book. All tokens are in 2x2 holders. I am asking \$1600.00 plus postage. Call (218) 745-5528 or write.</p> <p><i>Elmer Sabol</i> R.R. 2 Box 18A Warren MN 56762-9214</p>	<p>[WI] 790-L \$3.50; [TX] 65-1 50c; [MI] Paw Paw Lake \$7.50; dated railroad nails \$1.00 each; dog tags \$1.00 each; [MI] 75-J (uncovered a hoard) any quantity 10c each plus postage. Send \$2.00 with order. Send SASE for foreign transportation token list. Also SASE for any of above. E-mail: schoolbusben@mifreei.net</p> <p>"School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924</p>
03 BUY / TRADE	15 MISCELLANEOUS	
<p>I will buy your phone tokens (not phone cards) used all over the world.</p> <p>E-mail: vzhobbies@aol.com</p> <p><i>Victor Zilaitis</i> 2018 Heathfield Circle Sun City Center FL 33573-7304</p>	<p>Always eager to buy small paper items such as old transit tickets and passes. Also want tickets and passes for fairs, expos, military, conventions, etc.</p> <p><i>Dan Benice</i> P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>	<p>Tour tokens for sale:</p> <p>1968 [CA] 760-J \$5.00; 1970 [TX] 255-Q \$15.00; 1971 [WA] 780-W \$7.50; 1972 [IL] 855-A \$10.00; 1973 [CO] 420-A \$7.50; 1976 [MO] 910-Z \$5.00; 1977 [NE] 150-A \$5.00; 1979 [PA] 750-BA \$5.00; 1980 [MB] 900-G \$5.00; 1981 [UT] 300-A \$7.00; 1982 [MA] 115-AK \$7.50; 1984 [TN] 120-G \$7.50.</p> <p><i>Elmer Sabol</i> R.R. 2 Box 18A Warren MN 56762-9214</p>
10 COLLECTIONS		
<p>I would like to sell my collection of transportation tokens. I have 1,879 tokens, including a full set of 43 tour tokens, 173 duplicates, 10 Canadian, 89 mfg. samples. Also a full set of games of the 23rd Olympiad Los Angeles.</p> <p>(continued next column)</p>	<p>Want to unload some of your trading stock? I am buying at catalogue value or less, large or small collections incl. some duplicates. Putting collections together with these commons to attract new members to the AVA, and for my grand kids. E-mail: lou8066@aol.com</p> <p><i>Bill Weber</i> 6758 KOA Drive New Tripoli PA 18066-2419</p>	<p>Ads continued on next page</p>

25 SALE	26 SALE / TRADE	40 WANTED
<p>[AL] 560-Y 75c; [AZ] 640-C 40c; [AR] 435--N \$1.00, P \$4.00, R \$2.00; [CA] 1000-BE \$2.00; [CO] 340-Q \$2.00; [FL] 105-B 60c, F \$1.50; 130-D 60c; 570-B 50c; 880-M \$1.50; 910-L \$1.00; [GA] 580-K \$5.00; [ID] 380--I \$2.00, J \$3.50; [IL] 135-K 25c. Also need a SASE.</p> <p>Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718</p>	<p>catalogue \$5.00 or more. Tell me what you are looking for. Also my large wanted flier is available by request.</p> <p>Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>	<p>New collector needs your EXTRA Iowa transportation tokens. Please send list and price. E-mail: rbone@jumpgate.net</p> <p>Robert O. Bowen 1021 12 Street NE Mason City IA 50401-1401</p>
<p>[IL Hwys] 430-D. The IL State toll highway authority to be used at unattended ramps for official use only. \$5.00 postpaid.</p> <p>Bill Fox 15716 So. Ingleside Dolton IL 60419-2764</p>	<p>30 TRADE</p> <p>Two for one. You send up to 30 different transportation tokens, and I will send you up to 60 transportation tokens of my choice. Send \$2.00 for postage. An offer you can't refuse!!!</p> <p>"School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924</p>	<p>[TN] 75-F; 140-A; 280-A; 300-A; 375-C, D; 400-A; 415-B; 430-C, G, H, J, W; 600-M, N; 690-B, C, D. Name your price.</p> <p>Jim Medd 110 Braddock Street Crossville TN 38555-0548</p>
<p>26 SALE / TRADE</p> <p>Transfers, transfers, transfers. I have many old transfers, mostly 1910-1930's. They are for sale at \$1.00 each and up. If you prefer, they are also available for trade for small paper items such as transit tickets, railroad passes, coupons, scrip, etc. or TT's that</p> <p>(continued next column)</p>	<p>My parking token trade and want lists for yours. Also want lists of PT's for sale.</p> <p>Irwin Reuben 1319 Epworth Avenue Dayton OH 45410-2615</p>	<p>I'll pay 3X catalogue for nice specimens with good plating on them: [AL] 560-W; [AR] 285-C; 435-M; [CA] 300-E; 320-F; 895-E; [CO] 440-A; 440-C; 760-H; [CT] 35-L; 210-H. Phone: (410)343-1627.</p> <p>Oliver Brauer 18330 Prettyboy Dam Rd. Parkton MD 21120-9466</p>
	<p>40 WANTED</p> <p>[AK] 3050-F, H, I; [AZ] 3640-F; 3780-C; 3825-A; [AR] 3435--A; 3885-B. Phone: (937) 254-2661.</p> <p>Irwin Reuben 1319 Epworth Avenue Dayton OH 45410-2615</p>	

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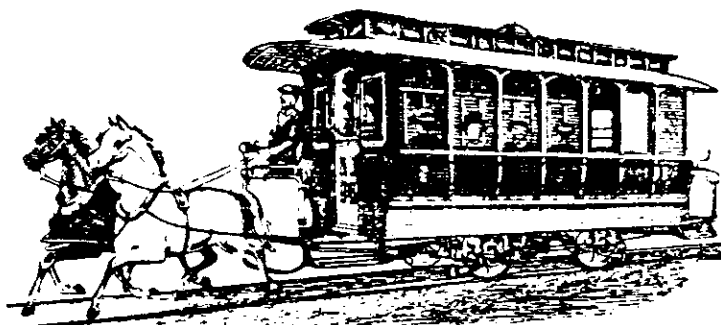
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Our 635th Issue

May 31. We have lost three more long-time members. My remembrances of them are inside this issue.

Inside this issue you will find the A.V.A. Convention Auction list. There are a lot of great tokens this time, and you may bid from the floor at the convention in Coeur d'Alene, or you may submit your bids by mail. If you bid by mail, use the bid sheet which accompanies this issue. It is not part of The Fare Box, but it accompanies this issue.

I had a nice chat with Don Mazeau, a life member who served as Curator and as Secretary for many, many years. Don lives in Old Saybrook, CT, and discovered a woodnik being used on a rubber-tired trolley in his town. It says good for a ride right on it, so it's listable. He is seeing about getting us a supply for the N.I.S. The token is 38mm with red printing, inscribed "Shoreline Trolley" with a picture of a trolley, on obverse; on reverse it simply has "good / for / one / fare".

In this month's catalogue supplement you will find listed a new California Club Tour token. This one is a beauty, issued by the Electric Railway Historical Assn. of Southern California. These go fast among trolley fans down in that area, but there are a few for AVA members. If you'd like to order one, send a stamped addressed envelope and \$5.00 check payable to ERHA of SC. (CA residents need to add 41¢ sales tax.) They struck 1,000 tokens. But if they're sold out they will return your order unopened. Order from Electric Railway Historical Assn. - 1 World Trade Center - P.O. Box 32161 - Long Beach, CA 90832-2161.

Bottom of page 15 of the February 2000 Fare Box I described a 38mm bronze token, or medal, issued by Brazos Transit District in Texas. Now Hal Ford has found another one, but this one is 30mm and brass. Still don't know if these are just commemoratives, or possibly good for fare. Wish someone down there could investigate for us.

T.J. Orlik updates us on the status of NY 640 H, which was good for toll on several bridges in the Niagara Falls area. When issued in 1991 it had a 75¢ value. In Spring, 1998, tolls went way up. The token now sells in rolls of 20 for \$36 U.S. or \$51 Canadian. Tolls now \$2.50 U.S. (\$3.50 Canadian). But whereas in the past you paid going in each direction, now you pay in just one direction. The opposite direction is free. The token itself is really a beautiful one, if you haven't seen it.



ADVERTISING ON METAL & CELLULOID TRANSPORTATION TOKENS

By John Coffee

Omitting plastic and wood transportation tokens, I count 108 different metal and celluloid (or vulcanite) TT's that carry advertising on them. These make a fascinating group by themselves. I omit tokens that merely tout something of pride in the community ("Gateway to the Oregon Cascades" or "Indian Capital of the World") and count only those tokens that advertise a private enterprise: a store, a product, a service. Most of them are older tokens, and many of them are extremely rare.

First the vulcanites & celluloids. From California we have an extremely rare group of tokens, cream-colored celluloid painted another color: 575 B C S, that advertise an insurance agency. More painted cells--715 A B, 775 A B L, advertise a store. The CA 5 A advertises an insurance agency. All super rarities. Moving on we find IA 640 A from Muscatine advertising plug tobacco, no doubt because Fred Daut, the product's agent, also owned Muscatine City Railway that issued the token! Also from Iowa, the unique Sioux City 850 A advertises a grocery store owned by D.T. Hedges, who also just happened to be head of the street railway that issued the token. Only one of these tokens in existence, so far as I know. From Connecticut a lovely old vulcanite advertises a drugstore in New Britain, in addition to paying fare on the New Britain Tramways. In Michigan we have a very rare and very thin celluloid that advertises a general store as well as being good for fare on the old Manistee, Filer City & Eastlake Railway. What else in the cell & vulc department? We have those glorious cells from Lincoln, NE, both advertising clothing stores, a light blue for W.R. Dennis "who should be your hatter & finisher" which was issued by Capital City Railway, and a stunning bright yellow issued by Rapid Transit, proclaiming Meyer Bros. Clothier. Both excessively rare items, these. And of course those three Limas from Ohio for the Mammoth Clothing House, blue, yellow and white, issued by Lima Electric St. Railway. More colors to come? Why not? That does it for the cells & vulcs. Now to the metals.

Some advertise products. Coca Cola on a modern Atlanta subway token. Soap on a rare Chicago Street Carrette. Pencils on a couple of Angeles City, Philippines, bus tokens. Whiskey on the strange Unid. #95. Coal on the rare depotel from Portsmouth, OH 745 A. Thinking that a strange combination, I visited the public library in Portsmouth one hot June day in 1964. Sure enough, Branch owned a coal yard as well as an omnibus line. I picked up the token not long after that and my research made it doubly precious to me. One token, a depotel, advertised a medical nostrum. In 1994 I visited the widow of S.A. Holland's son in Boonville. She had never heard of the "Rest(eye)2tion Fluid" advertised on the token. It strikes me strange that the MO 70 A seems to be the 70 E with the ad deliberately planed off by the bus line. Was there something bad that happened to someone after using the fluid, which caused Mr. Holland to excise its name from his tokens? Just a thought.

We have four transportation tokens that carry the Brunswick-Balke billiard reverse: IA 980 B, MO 420 H, Unid. 215 & 255. All very rare. Three are depotels, one a ferry.

My favorites, though, are tokens that advertise cigars. All nice and rare: MI 595 D,E, issued by a depotel hack, proclaim the virtue of the "No Limit" cigar, "the best 10¢ cigar on the market." Then we have those four glorious Minnesota depotel-cigar tokens: the Twin City Cigar Co. on three of them, but best of all is the big aluminum advertising "The Deacon" cigar, issued by Faley & Pickle River-side Buss Line" in Montevideo.

Most of the ads are for local stores, though. AZ 680 A, all those Stockton, CA, 3 of which are rare, the very rare Macon, GA, two Idaho ferry tokens, one of the Chicago Street Carrettes (The Fair; last time I looked it was still there), the old Indian Trader general store on MT 690 A, an ancient ferry token; a drug-store and a clothier on two of the rare Defiance, OH, streetcar tokens.

And banks. Two modern banks: VA 580 P and TX 455 A. But the ones I love are PA 73 A from Belle Vernon, for the First National Bank in Charleroi. I visited the old ferry slip back in 1964. Some of the cement was still there. I had picked up the first token. Another one is being auctioned this week. And those West Elizabeth Bridge tokens for the First National Bank of Elizabeth. All rare, especially the 965 F.

Atlanta's rapid transit also advertises a newspaper and a circus on its tokens. Amtour's cable car tokens from San Francisco advertise all sorts of things: some airlines, Ghirardelli Square (where they have the BEST ice cream in the U.S.A., take my word for it), a hotel, and best of all AMTRAK. The only transportation fare token with AMTRAK on it is one of these cable car tokens.

OH 590 A advertises Lake "Hiawather" Park, which was owned by the street car company that issued the token. I bought that token in 1948 in New Haven for \$2.00 from Frank Katen, who then had a coin shop there, and from whom I picked up several dozen tokens that are still rarities.

All of this was inspired by the three tokens we listed in January for a rubber tired "trolley" that lasted only one season: MI 840 A,B,C. One for a credit union, one for a restaurant, one for what I assume in an automobile dealer. Very modern but for a while at least very hard to get for collectors. Patience.

It always seemed to me that fare tokens would offer an ideal venue for advertising. But only a tiny fraction of those catalogued by us carry ads. Yet streetcars and buses have always carried advertising cards, and more recently whole buses and streetcars have been painted like a rolling billboard, at least here in Boston. I suppose, though, that most people don't really look at their tokens, and that's the problem.

Back in 1958 Hal Ford visited Bill Sand, proprietor of Brattleboro Transit in Vermont. No tokens were in use, but Mr. Sand said he'd be happy to use tokens provided by the AVA, including our own message. The result was VT 150 B-E. Not advertising according to the criteria used for this article, but worth mentioning anyway. Six years later, in 1964, I asked if he'd like some more. Said yes, so the result were VT 150 F and G. When Hal and I visited him in 1983, he was no longer running the bus line, but had a sack of the tokens, all of which showed what can only be called massive wear. So they really got used. But, as Hal once asked me, "How many new members did we gain from Brattleboro because of those tokens?" None, of course. Wonder if anybody ever even looked at them.

So there, in any event, is a discussion of some of the advertising tokens. Many are extremely rare, some fairly common. If you had enough of them, they would make a nice display by themselves.

!!!WANTED!!!

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MAY SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE
By Harold V. Ford

ALASKA

Anchorage 50 (Reported by Curtis Judge and John Coffee)
ANCHORAGE TROLLEY TOURS™ / ALASKA
GUESTTOURS INC. ® / (FRONT OF TROLLEY with 1995
incuse)

K B 29 Sd Anchorage Trolley Token™ /4th Avenue Theatre/
630 W. 4th Ave./Anchorage, AK/907-257-5603/HH
(WM-plated) (1,000 struck) (* 4/18/95) ***

ANCHORAGE TROLLEY TOURS® /SM/KEEP THE GOLD® /
(FRONT OF TROLLEY with 1998 incuse)

L B 29 Sd Anchorage Trolley Token™ /4th Avenue Trolley®/
Box 102299/Anchorage, AK/907-276-5603/ HM
(WM-plated) (1,000 struck) (* 4/13/98) ***

CALIFORNIA

Merced 500 (Reported by HF)
MERCED COUNTY/TRANSIT/THE (BUS) BUS/HM /
(13 STARS)

A B 30 Sd Good For \$1⁰⁰ in Fare/No Refunds or Exchanges/
The (bus) Bus/(14 stars) (* 4/00) 1.00

OHIO

Mansfield 505 (Reported by Charles Axthelm & Mark Hertzler)
RICHLAND/CARROUSEL PARK/MANSFIELD, OHIO/
GOOD FOR ONE RIDE

K WM 25 Sd 2000/(head of horse) (reeded edge) .50

Marion 520 (Reported by John Coffee)
MAT/TRANSFER/TOKEN

H Pb Oc Sd (blank) (43mm) (black lettering) 1.00
I Pr Oc Sd " " "

CLUB TOUR TOKENS

California CT (Reported by John Heller)
ELECTRIC RAILWAY/HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION/www.ERHA.
org/(STREETCAR, PALM TREES, BUILDING)

2 B 25 Sd MTA Red Line/North Hollywood/Opening Day/June 24, 2000/
1 Fare/(front of old trolley) (WM-plated) (1,000 struck)

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

As far we we know, the two Anchorage, AK, WM-plated tokens have been used for actual fare tokens by the Anchorage Trolley Tours. A rider would pay for the tour and receive two tokens. The "silver" token was surrendered, and a brass token ("keep the gold") was retained as a souvenir. About a dozen different brass tokens have been issued since inception with mintages up to 15,000. Four different were offered to collectors several years ago in a plastic holder. I have seen two different 1999 brass issues. See pages 58 and 59 of the May 1998 Fare Box for additional background data. The local company will not sell any of the listed tokens to collectors at this time. We do hope they will in the future, hence the three-star valuation.

The very attractive Merced, CA, listing was placed in circulation in April of 2000. The local authority has agreed to sell a supply to our New Issues Service, thanks to the efforts of Bill Garrison.

The Richland Carrousel Park of Mansfield, OH, issued a second "good for one ride" token to their annual series of tokens, which started in 1991 with a different animal depicted each year. Charles Axthelm contacted a local collector, Mark Hertzler, to obtain a supply for our N.I.S.

The two Marion, OH, transfer tokens were mentioned on page 94 of the September 1999 Fare Box. I had wondered why the two different colors. Brother Coffee called the local authority and they report that there is no significance, and they cannot supply our N.I.S. because of the limited quantity made.

The California Club tour token is a very attractive token struck by Hoffman Mint. See editor's note for additional information.

IN MEMORIAM

GEORGE WOLTERS, AVA #1682

George came from Rock Island, Illinois, and he joined us back in 1977. He was a retired Transportation Supervisor. Over the years he and I corresponded often and he was always a friendly and helpful constituent. He was 77 at the time of his death.

IRA GERSHNER, AVA #905

Ira lived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and he joined the A.V.A. in September, 1966, a month which saw us gather in twenty-five members. He was an active collector of all sorts of tokens, and listed himself when he joined simply as a merchant.

ROBERT M. RITTERBAND, AVA L-118

Bob was one of the wonderful people who have helped make the A.V.A. what it has become. He joined us back in 1951, and he operated a printing company in his native Los Angeles. A gregarious, winsome guy whose sense of humor served him, and us, through a lot of good times and bad. He served two terms as President of the A.V.A., and prior to that as Curator he assembled a quantity of historical material about the A.V.A. before it was lost forever. He was chairman of the two largest A.V.A. conventions in history: Disneyland in 1966, and Los Angeles in 1975. He had a way about him, and to know him was to love the guy. For many years the paterfamilias of the Los Angeles token club, especially back when its chief thrust was transportation tokens, he kept me informed about all of our members in the area down there. He just seemed to look after them. When Roland Atwood died and there was a small graveside service for the man who held A.V.A. #1, it was of course Bob who presided, read something appropriate, and said a final goodbye for all of us. Following the 1966 A.V.A. Convention at Disneyland, I asked Bob to print and mail the July 1966 issue of The Fare Box. He did, including a number of photos of the event. In later years he supervised tours—hundreds of them—all over the United States and even beyond. Whenever I arrived in Los Angeles I could count on Bob to meet my train, give me a ride anywhere I wanted to go, and see that I was well fed. He died May 21, and he was 91. There aren't many like him left in the world.

SUPPLEMENT #29 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

By Harold V. Ford

ALASKA

Anchorage 50

MAGIC WAND CAR WASH (WAND)

H Bz 23 Sd (cartoon auto facing left)(stars) 1.00

ARIZONA

Mesa 440

CURB APPEAL SELF SERVE SPOT FREE CAR WASH 640 E. BROADWAY
MESA, AZ

J Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm .50

A-1 CAR WASH GUADALUPE RD. MESA rwm

K Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) .50

Phoenix 640

HI-TECH CAR CARE 2924 E. THOMAS RD

U Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your
Dirt Back hh .50

KLARER BROTHERS CAR WASHES 25

V Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your
Dirt Back hm .50

CALIFORNIA

Antioch 30

JACK'S CAR WASH (CARTOON AUTO)

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm .50

Garden Grove 311

OASIS CAR WASH 13512 EUCLID ST., G.G. (714) 530-0880
rwm (two palm trees)

A Bz 22 Sd Redeemable at This Location Only Satisfaction Guaranteed
or Double Your Dirt Back rwm (wand over sudsy car) 1.00

Hayward 350

HUTCH'S SELF SERVE CARWASH (CARTOON AUTO FACING LEFT)

H Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hm .50

Santa Cruz 825

YOU DO IT CAR WASH SANTA CRUZ, CA YOU DO IT

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hm (antique car) .50

Stockton 895

BUGGY BATH CAR WASHES & REILLY'S CAR WASHES STOCKTON LODI
NO CASH VALUE GOOD FOR \$1.00 SERVICE VALUE AT ALL LOCATIONS
SELF SERVICE CAR WASH & VACUUMS

D B 29 Sd Non Refundable No Cash Value One 1 hh (WM-plated) 1.00

KELLY'S EXPRESS CAR WASH (PALM TREE)

E Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 1.00

ANA'S CAR WASH STOCKTON, CA GALT, CA ANYKINE CAR WASH
(PALM TREES ABOVE SPORTS CAR)

F Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token No Cash Value Ficha No Tiene Valor hm .50

COLORADO

Steamboat Springs 830

AUTO SUDS CAR WASH US 40 WEST STEAMBOAT hm

A B 25 Sd Wash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value .50

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-22 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

PENNSYLVANIA

ST. MARYS-3830 (Reported by E Bawden and others)

ST. MARYS, PA / FREE PARKING / TOKEN / RWM (starburst)

A	B	22	Sd	No / Cash / Value / RWM	.25
B	B	22	Sd	No / Cash / Value	.25

PTMS-3080 (Reported by H Ford)

PARKING / HH / TOKEN (auto)

Z	B	25	Sd	Freedom / HM (eagle & shield)	.25
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CANADA

ALBERTA

PARKING SERVICES / UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY (parking meter)

B	B	25	Sd	Valid At Token / Meters Only / Lombardo Sherbr. O	1.00
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= ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS =

MI-3370-C: add rev B

PTUN-3097: O: add after ONLY / RWM

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

The ST Marys tokens sell for 25c each. I have no idea which token predates the other. Apparently there was a reorder. Karl will try obtaining for PATNIS.

Hal picked the PTMS item up at a coin show.

The University of Calgary uses meter parking for the Sport Medicine Centre only.

OHIO ONE CORP in Youngstown, OH is using non-PT's.

The town of Bloomsburg, PA is also using non-PT's.

Bradley U in Peoria IL is using non-PTs.

When you order the FIFTH EDITION direct from me at \$42 postpaid, I'll also send a copy of the UP-DATE of all new tokens listed since its publication.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

GEORGE CUHAJ ISSUES BOY SCOUT PERSONAL TOKEN

George Cuhaj, AVA #1623, has been a member since he was a teenager, and that was a while ago. He was always interested in scouting, and just recently has issued a very attractive personal token to mark his interest. The 38mm medal is inscribed with George's name & address and the scout logo on obverse, and a picture of Robert Baden Powell, the founder of the movement. The aluminum version is available free for a stamped envelope. A bronze version for \$5. A pure one-ounce silver version for \$85. He struck 1,000 aluminum; 50 Bz; 20 silver. You may order directly from George at:

George Cuhaj - P.O. Box 433 - Iola, Wisconsin 54945

Make check payable to Boy Scouts of America, as proceeds will go to BSA

1. SEE THE ATTACHED BID SHEET FOR ADDRESS, AUCTION DATE, TIME, AND PLACE.
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LOT	CATALOG	(*)	LOT	CATALOG	(*)	LOT	CATALOG	(*)	LOT	CATALOG	(*)
1	AL 40 A		46	CA 745 AA		91	GA 60 AH		136	IN 980 C	
2	AL 120 B		47	CA 760 C	(4)	92	GA 60 AI		137	IA 110 M	
3	AL 120 D		48	CA 760 J	(5)	93	GA 60 AJ		138	IA 150 A	
4	AL 120 E		49	CA 760 O		94	GA 360 A		139	IA 150 B	
5	AL 120 F		50	CA 775 D		95	GA 690 A	(2)	140	IA 230 Ca	
6	AL 240 B	(2)	51	CA 775 M		96	HI 240 A	(2)	141	IA 230 D	
7	AL 560 D		52	CA 845 A		97	HI 240 B	(2)	142	IA 230 E	
8	AL 560 Kb		53	CA 880 A		98	ID 100 A	(2)	143	IA 230 M	
9	AK 50 C		54	CA 945 Id		99	ID 440 Ab		144	IA 240 B	(2,4)
10	AK 50 F		55	CA 985 D		100	ID 440 D	(2)	145	IA 300 D	
11	AK 50 G		56	CA 1000 C		101	ID 640 A		146	IA 300 N	
12	AK 50 H		57	CA 1000 H		102	IL 130 Da	(2)	147	IA 300 O	
13	AK 190 A		58	CA 1000 AV		103	IL 130 Db		148	IA 390 Aa	
14	AK 190 B		59	CA 1000 AW		104	IL 130 E	(2)	149	IA 390 B	
15	AK 190 D		60	CA 1000 BE		105	IL 150 I-thn		150	IA 510 A	
16	AK 300 E	(2)	61	CO 45 A		106	IL 150 Zb		151	IA 590 Bb	
17	AK 300 F		62	CO 45 B		107	IL 150 ABb		152	IA 640 Sc	
18	AK 450 L		63	CO 140 I	(2)	108	IL 150 AI		153	IA 850 K	(2)
19	AK 800 A		64	CO 140 K		109	IL 150 AL		154	KS 30 Cb	
20	AK 1000 F		65	CO 260 N		110	IL 250 N		155	KS 40 D	(2)
21	AZ 640 E		66	CO 280 C		111	IL 430 A		156	KS 940 M	
22	AZ 640 F		67	CO 280 E		112	IL 430 Bx		157	KS 940 N	
23	AZ 1000 E		68	CO 340 A	(2)	113	IL 430 C		158	KS 940 O	
24	AZ 1000 H		69	CO 340 P		114	IL 430 Da		159	KS 970 I	
25	AR 105 C	(2)	70	CO 340 Q		115	IL 460 B		160	KS 980 A	
26	AR 435 A	(1)	71	CO 420 A		116	IL 475 A		161	KS 998 B	
27	AR 435 B		72	CO 540 D	(2)	117	IL 530 Ab	(2)	162	KY 45 Ab	
28	AR 435 H		73	CO 620 A		118	IL 530 B		163	KY 45 B	
29	CA 105 A		74	CT 35 M		119	IL 795 Db		164	KY 45 C	
30	CA 280 A		75	CT 210 G		120	IL 795 F		165	KY 80 C	(2)
31	CA 280 B		76	CT 320 Bb		121	IL 855 A		166	KY 85 A	
32	CA 280 C		77	CT 345 A		122	IN 90 A		167	KY 85 B	
33	CA 395 A		78	CT 525 A		123	IN 90 C		168	KY 480 C	
34	CA 395 D	(2)	79	CT 550 Ab		124	IN 275 A		169	KY 480 Ea	(6)
35	CA 450 D		80	FL 380 D		125	IN 450 A		170	KY 480 K	(2)
36	CA 450 T		81	FL 380 E		126	IN 450 B		171	KY 480 Na	
37	CA 575 Aa		82	FL 380 J		127	IN 450 C		172	KY 510 O	
38	CA 575 Ab		83	FL 380 P		128	IN 460 F		173	KY 510 BP	
39	CA 630 E	(2)	84	FL 410 A		129	IN 460 J		174	KY 510 BQ	(2)
40	CA 705 A		85	FL 610 B	(2)	130	IN 460 K		175	KY 950 A	
41	CA 745 D	(2)	86	FL 625 A		131	IN 460 L		176	LA 520 A	
42	CA 745 F	(2)	87	FL 670 A		132	IN 460 P		177	LA 790 B	
43	CA 745 L		88	FL 710 A		133	IN 460 S		178	ME 40 A	(2)
44	CA 745 Y		89	FL 880 L		134	IN 960 A		179	ME 710 A	(2)
45	CA 745 Z		90	GA 60 AG		135	IN 960 B		180	ME 710 B	

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181	ME 930 A	(2)	231	MN 70 C	(2)	281	NE 700 ABb	(2)	331	NY 810 B	(2)
182	MD 60 Ig		232	MN 290 Aa		282	NE 980 D	(2)	332	NY 875 Aa	(2)
183	MD 60 J		233	MN 510 A		283	NV 150 A		333	NY 890 H	
184	MD 60 K		234	MN 540 Ca		284	NV 500 A		334	NY 905 A	(2)
185	MD 60 Q		235	MN 540 D		285	NV 500 B		335	NY 935 B	
186	MD 60 Ub	(2)	236	MN 540 AE	(2)	286	NV 500 I		336	NY 945 A	
187	MD 60 V		237	MN 540 AG		287	NV 900 A		337	MA 998 B	
188	MD 60 Zb		238	MN 540 AJ		288	NH 30 A		338	NC 20 A	
189	MD 60 AA		239	MN 540 AK		289	NH 640 J		339	NC 40 B	(2)
190	MD 60 AC		240	MN 600 B	(2)	290	NJ 555 B		340	NC 130 A	
191	MD 60 ADa		241	MN 620 B		291	NJ 555 F		341	NC 160 A	
192	MD 60 AG		242	MN 620 C		292	NM 40 M		342	NC 380 C	
193	MD 60 AR		243	MN 760 C		293	NM 430 C		343	NC 450 E	
194	MD 300 A		244	MN 760 Ja	(2)	294	NM 810 D	(2)	344	NC 625 A	
195	MA 115 C	(7)	245	MN 760 Jb		295	NM 940 A	(2)	345	OH 10 B	
196	MA 115 Kb	(2)	246	MN 790 A		296	NY 25 Ca		346	OH 10 M	
197	MA 115 Na	(2)	247	MN 820 C		297	NY 25 Cc		347	OH 15 B	
198	MA 115 Ub	(2)	248	MN 820 F	(2)	298	NY 25 D	(2)	348	OH 15 F	(2)
199	MA 115 Ya		249	MN 980 H		299	NY 80 Dc		349	OH 115 A	
200	MA 115 Yb		250	MN 980 J		300	NY 105 B		350	OH 165 G	
201	MA 115 AB		251	MS 320 A		301	NY 235 A	(2)	351	OH 165 N	
202	MA 115 AK		252	MS 320 B		302	NY 235 B		352	OH 165 Q	
203	MA 660 Cb	(2)	253	MS 320 C		303	NY 355 C		353	OH 165 T	
204	MI 30 A	(2)	254	MS 460 B		304	NY 355 D		354	OH 165 Uc	(2)
205	MI 65 Bb		255	MS 460 F	(2)	305	NY 437 A		355	OH 175 W	
206	MI 65 G		256	MS 460 I	(2)	306	NY 615 Aa		356	OH 175 Xa	
207	MI 225 Ec		257	MS 500 C		307	NY 615 Ba	(2)	357	OH 175 AF	
208	MI 265 A		258	MS 720 Da		308	NY 628 C		358	OH 230 B	
209	MI 395 Bb-1	(2)	259	MS 900 C		309	NY 629 K		359	OH 230 M	
210	MI 395 Bc-3	(2)	260	MS 900 Db		310	NY 630 La		360	OH 230 S	(2)
211	MI 395 Bd-2	(2)	261	MS 900 E		311	NY 630 Lb		361	OH 435 A	(2)
212	MI 395 C-5	(2)	262	MO 130 C	(2)	312	NY 630 Q		362	OH 440 Bd	(2)
213	MI 395 D-5	(2)	263	MO 230 B	(2)	313	NY 630 T		363	OH 475 H	(2)
214	MI 395 E-3	(2)	264	MO 370 D		314	NY 630 AJ		364	OH 475 Ib	(2)
215	MI 470 A		265	MO 370 Eb		315	NY 630 AP		365	OH 515 C	(2)
216	MI 470 Ba		266	MO 430 F		316	NY 630 AR		366	OH 660 Fa	
217	MI 475 C		267	MO 440 H		317	NY 630 BC		367	OH 660 Fb	
218	MI 525 Ha	(2)	268	MO 440 I	(2)	318	NY 630 BH		368	OH 660 Fmule	(9)
219	MI 530 H	(2)	269	MO 440 Q		319	NY 631 H	(2)	369	OH 750 A	(2)
220	MI 605 Da		270	MO 910 I		320	NY 631 L		370	OH 860 C	
221	MI 605 Ia	(8)	271	MO 910 R		321	NY 631 Sb		371	OH 915 B	(2)
222	MI 605 Nb		272	MO 910 Y		322	NY 631 V		372	OH 1000 P	(5)
223	MI 650 A:B	(2)	273	MO 910 Z		323	NY 632 A		373	OK 70 B	(2)
224	MI 845 F		274	MT 380 Bb	(2)	324	NY 640 C		374	OK 610 B	
225	MI 845 M	(2)	275	MT 480 Aa		325	NY 640 L		375	OR 60 B	
226	MI 1000 A		276	NE 305 D	(2)	326	NY 695 A		376	OR 100 Aa	
227	MI 1000 C		277	NE 420 H		327	NY 715 A		377	OR 130 D	(2)
228	MN 30 Aa		278	NE 440 E		328	NY 780 Ba		378	OR 160 B	
229	MN 50 Ld	(2)	279	NE 700 V	(2)	329	NY 780 X		379	OR 160 C	
230	MN 50 Qc	(2)	280	NE 700 X	(2)	330	NY 790 J		380	OR 160 E	(2)

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381	OR 240 A	(2)	435	SC 450 B		489	WI 220 Ab		542	MB 200 C	
382	OR 240 B	(2)	436	SC 500 C	(2)	490	WI 220 E		543	MB 900 G	
383	OR 420 A		437	SD 680 B		491	WI 230 A		544	ON 400 A	
384	OR 500 A	(2)	438	SD 1000 M		492	WI 410 B		545	ON 675 A	
385	OR 700 S		439	SD 1000 N	(2)	493	WI 510 F		546	ON 825 A	
386	OR 800 B	(2)	440	TN 120 G		494	WI 920 I	(14)	547	ON 900 H	
387	PA 15 C	(2)	441	TN 250 A		495	WY 100 A		548	PQ 620 M	(17)
388	PA 15 D		442	TN 375 A		496	WY 100 B			PARKING	
389	PA 15 Ki		443	TN 375 B		497	WY 100 C		549	NJ 3960 A	
390	PA 15 Kj		444	TN 430 A		498	WY 100 D			FOREIGN	
391	PA 15 N	(2)	445	TN 430 Gb		499	WY 120 E		550	CHL 420 G	
392	PA 15 O	(2)	446	TN 540 D	(2)	500	WY 660 A	(3)	551	FRA 600 AF	
393	PA 25 C		447	TN 600 G	(2)	501	DC 500 Db		552	GER 230 AA	
394	PA 65 A		448	TN 600 J	(2)	502	DC 500 J	(2)	553	GER 230 AB	
395	PA 65 C	(2)	449	TX 135 B		503	DC 500 AI	(2)	554	GER 740 AD	
396	PA 65 D		450	TX 255 A	(2)	504	DC 500 AJ	(2)	555	GER 740 AJ	
397	PA 135 A	(2)	451	TX 255 L		505	GU 25 A		556	SWE 820 FU	
398	PA 310 A-2		452	TX 255 P	(2)	506	P.P. M		557	SWE 820 MN	
399	PA 320 Aa	(2)	453	TX 255 Q		507	P.P. BJ	(15)			
400	PA 405 A		454	TX 275 A	(2)	508	T.T. F			AUCTION NOTES:	
401	PA 455 A		455	TX 531 D		509	T.T. G		(1)	Clipped	
402	PA 495 B		456	TX 760 E	(2)	510	T.T. AD	(16)	(2)	2x Minimum Bid	
403	PA 495 G		457	TX 890 B		511	C.T. GA-1		(3)	3x Minimum Bid	
404	PA 495 J	(2)	458	TX 950 A		512	C.T. GA-2		(4)	Slight Discoloration	
405	PA 515 B		459	TX 965 I		513	C.T. GA-3		(5)	\$5 Minimum Bid	
406	PA 595 B	(2)	460	UT 300 A		514	C.T. GA-4		(6)	Stamped D-204	
407	PA 645 Bb		461	VT 150 C		515	C.T. GA-5		(7)	Part of one letter removed	
408	PA 650 B		462	VT 150 D		516	C.T. GA-6		(8)	Bent	
409	PA 655 A		463	VT 150 E		517	C.T. GA-7		(9)	Fb Obv, Fa Rev	
410	PA 720 A		464	VT 595 A		518	C.T. GA-8		(10)	Rev Scratch "A.N.S./ MAY.1./1897"	
411	PA 725 A	(10)	465	VA 20 D	(2)	519	C.T. GA-9		(11)	Pc 3mm @ 6 o'clock	
412	PA 725 Da		466	VA 20 E	(2)	520	C.T. GA-10		(12)	Counterstamped "S"	
413	PA 725 Db		467	VA 20 F	(2)	521	C.T. GA-11		(13)	See FB003.13	
414	PA 725 Dc	(2)	468	VA 20 G	(2)	522	C.T. IL-1		(14)	See FB987.86	
415	PA 725 H		469	VA 20 H	(2)	523	C.T. IL-2		(15)	2x, in Presentation Box	
416	PA 750 F		470	VA 530 A		524	C.T. IL-3		(16)	PC @ 12 o'clock	
417	PA 750 Z		471	VA 600 Ab		525	C.T. IL-6		(17)	Certified Original	
418	PA 750 AN		472	VA 600 I	(2)	526	C.T. IL-7				
419	PA 750 AT		473	VA 600 J	(2)	527	C.T. MA-4				
420	PA 750 AU		474	VA 600 L	(2)	528	C.T. MA-5				
421	PA 750 BA		475	VA 620 F		529	C.T. MA-6				
422	PA 750 BD		476	VA 620 K	(2)	530	C.T. MI-1				
423	PA 750 BF	(13)	477	WA 5 A		531	C.T. MI-2				
424	PA 765 I		478	WA 80 D	(2)	532	C.T. MI-3				
425	PA 765 J	(11)	479	WA 690 C	(2)	533	C.T. NM-1				
426	PA 765 Ra		480	WA 780 Kf	(2)	534	C.T. WI-1				
427	PA 765 S		481	WA 780 W		535	ART 305 A				
428	PA 770 C		482	WA 780 Xh		536	ART 306 A				
429	PA 875 B		483	WA 880 F	(2)		CANADA				
430	PA 950 M		484	WA 880 G	(2)	537	AB 250 A				
431	PA 965 Ca		485	WA 880 N		538	BC 450 C				
432	PA 965 Cx"S"	(12)	486	WA 960 A	(2)	539	BC 450 D	(2)			
433	PA 970 A		487	WV 200 D		540	BC 450 Ea	(2)			
434	PA 997 B		488	WI 170 C	(2)	541	BC 625 A				

No bids will be accepted after July 31 mail.

Do not call for high bids. I will give out no such information because of the live auction to follow.

E-mail bids accepted at
AMIKAYMH@AOL.COM

Keith M. Haney, Curator

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01 AUCTION (close Jun 26)	25 SALE	25 SALE
Highest bid above \$100.00 gets 166 different AVA personal tokens, including many metal pieces and elongated coins. Al Zaika P O Box 65 Bellmawr NJ 08099-0065	For sale at catalogue & P&I, scarce tokens with defects: [IA] 150-B (dark); [MN] 510-A (worn); 540-D (worn); [WI] 180-E (dinged; 510-D (dark), E (worn); 750-A (2mm hole at top); 840-C (worn). Full 10-day privilege. Gerald Johnson 1921 Chase Street Wisc. Rapids WI 54495-3953	100 all different TT's \$17. 200 all different TT's \$38. 300 all different TT's \$69. 400 all different TT's \$100. Bill Garrison 9505 Normandy Avenue Morton Grove IL 60053-1338
Best offer over 2X catalogue plus P & I; [PA] 725-D, O; 750-Z; [DC] 997-B and AVA Convention tokens; [CA] 760-J; [CO] 420-A; [GA] 60-AG; [IL] 855-A; [KY] 950-A; [MA] 115-AK; [MN] 540-AG, AJ, AK, [NY] 630-AH; 780--X, [OH] 700-S; [PA] 750-AU, BA; [TN] 120-G; 600-R; [TX] 255-Q; [UT] 300-A; [VT] 150-B, C, D, E; [WA] 780-W; [MB] 900-G; [ON] 900-H. William Boncek 5404 Springfield Drive Raleigh NC 27609-4610	At 2X catalogue value plus postage: [OH] 15-G, H; 125-H, I, K; 165-AJ; 210-D; 230-AD, AE, AH, AI; 290-B; 380-A, C; 385-D, E; 425-A; 435-B; 440-P; 535-Eb; 565-B, D, E; 605-D; 830-D, E, F; 860-R, T; 915-H. chuckb@vhn.net Chuck Benjamin 42 Kingwood Drive Poughkeepsie NY 12601-5405	[FL] 105-B 70c; 130-D 70c; 570-B \$1.00; 880-M \$2.00; 910-L \$1.00; [GA] 580-K \$5.00; [ID] 380-I \$3.00, J \$5.00; [IL] 135-K 50c; [IN] 820-C \$2.00; 860-I 50c, J 50c; [KY] 150-J 50c; 260-A 50c. Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718
25 SALE	I have about 40 different Parking tokens for sale at catalogue. Send SASE for list. Rocco DiGiacomo 42 Sunset Drive Mt. Holly NJ 08060-	AVA 40th Anniversary silver plated bronze token (1988) for sale at \$15.00. Your sell and trade lists welcomed. William Boncek 5404 Springfield Drive Raleigh NC 27609-4610
100 mixed transportation tokens, \$15.00 postpaid. James Vander Helm 18618 Birch Avenue Akron IA 51001-8827		

(Ads continued on next page)

30 TRADE	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
Let's trade! Send your TT list. Receive Mine. Have other varied tokens and -xonomia to trade for TT's. <i>John Ciecka</i> 1540 Society Hill Dr. Bensalem PA 19020-3689	I'll pay 3X catalogue for the following nice specimens with good plating on them: [FL] 880-N 1.50; [ID] 100-C 2.00, F 2.50, P 2.00; 440-B 2.50; [IL] 455-A 2.50; 460-E 2.00, G 2.50, H 2.50; 7770-A 2.00; 795-N 1.00. Ph: (410) 343-1627. <i>Oliver Brauer</i> 1833 Prettyboy Dam Rd. Parkton MD 21120-9466	Paying full catalogue for Sioux City IA transit tokens. Write with offers. <i>James Vander Helm</i> 18618 Birch Avenue Akron IA 51001-8827
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Age 40; Bookkeeper. Collects all types. (Weber)
- 3008 NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT MUSEUM - 130 Livingston St., Room 9001
New York, NY 11201: Ms Chandra Buie, Registrar & Assistant to Curator (Crawford)
- 3009 ROGER A. McLELLAN - 87 Central Street - Stoneham, Massachusetts 02180
Age 48; Engineer. Collects U.S., Parking, Car Wash (Schneider)

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THE 50th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION

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I am still working on a new four-year supplement to the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue. If we had used the format of previous years it would've cost us nearly \$10 apiece. But Louis Crawford has come up with some modifications that will give us something almost as good for MUCH LESS. Details next month.

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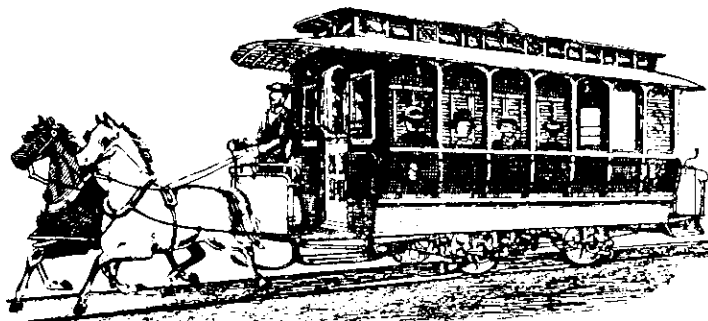
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Our 636th Issue

July 2. We have been diminished by the deaths of two of our long-time members this month. My remarks about them are inside this issue.

I shall be leaving for California in the Lincoln, accompanied by Hal Ford who is flying to Boston, about July 16. I shall be in California until August 7, so mail for me or The Fare Box during that period should be addressed to me c/o Harold Ford at 43 Arroyo Drive - Moraga, CA 94556. On August 7 I shall head north to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, for our annual convention, driving alone. Thence back to Boston by the northern route, arriving back about August 20.

The Annual Convention of the A.V.A. will be held August 10-13 at the Coeur d'Alene Inn, Coeur d'Alene, ID. Registration for this very special 50th Annual Convention is \$95. Send it to Convention Chairman Joel Reznick at P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116. Make your own reservation at the hotel by calling them at their toll-free number, 800-251-7829. Rooms are \$99, single or double, which is a considerable reduction off the regular rates for this very special hotel. Be sure to say you are with the AVA. More information is on page 41 of the April 2000 Fare Box.

Last year Hal Ford and I learned that Logan Airport here in Boston has used a second taxi token briefly, and then went back to the first one. We had never seen the second one. Louis Crawford and I have now acquired the second token, which is exactly like MA 115 AP except that it is 25mm (instead of 22mm) and it is not magnetic. Token's fare value is now \$1.50. For all I know they are now using the larger one, but so far have not been able to find out.

Ed Windhurst reports an unusual taxi token. I'm not sure if it's listable, but it was used for taxi ride. As Ed writes, "My last duty station before I retired from the Navy was the Marine Corps base at Twenty-nine Palms, CA. There is a retired master sergeant who runs his own taxi service there and he issued a token worth \$1.00 toward a taxi ride." It is red plastic, 28mm, inscribed DEVIL DOG COIN / \$1 (USMC EMBLEM) \$1 / TOPS TAXI // NO CASH VALUE / \$1 (sergeant's stripes) \$1 / 1-800-TOP-MSGT. It was issued around 1995 or 1996.

New issues are coming out fast & furious these days, and we're working on several of them, trying to get supplies for the N.I.S. Meanwhile, Hal Ford and I shall see what we can find along the way on our trip to California. We usually find a few. First stop will be a new one right here in Massachusetts, just west of Boston.



THE BAY TOWN TROLLEY of PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA

by Louis Crawford

In the early 1990s, there was no form of public transportation in the Panama City/Bay County area. With a large senior citizen population as well as a significant number of tourists, area politicians began discussing how transportation needs may be met.

A grant was obtained from the Florida Department of Transportation (utilizing both State and Federal funds) on October 1, 1995, and service began in December of that year with a fare of 50¢. The rubber-tired trolley operated in Panama City, Panama City Beach, Parker, and Lynn Haven. Initially the fleet consisted of two diesel and three gasoline trolleys. These vehicles had numerous breakdowns and consequently vans were obtained and painted to look like the trolleys.

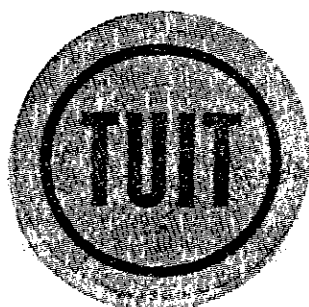
These breakdowns and service inconsistencies caused the line to suffer, and with only 16,576 riders in 1996, the trolley operated at a deficit. Local government officials debated shutting down the line or at a minimum allowing it to simply cease to be when the grant money ran out in late 1998. However, other community leaders began to work with local agencies and planners on ways to improve services. New trolleys were purchased, surveys were taken, routes revised, and more aggressive advertising was conducted.

These efforts were well rewarded. Ridership increased to 50,793 in 1998; and this number was exceeded on October 21, 1999. Six regular trolleys are now running on two separate routes.

Wooden nickels are known from the Bay Town Trolley. Two different varieties are pictured below. It is believed that these tokens were first issued early in the trolley's history since it was first reported in late 1996. These tokens have figured prominently in the resurrection of the service. They are used by the Bay County Council on Aging (the firm that currently operates the system) to provide free transportation to clients who live on or near the routes. A local community college gives the tokens to students in a vo-tech program. Tokens are also used by various social agencies and churches to allow the homeless access to soup kitchens or to get to work. Additionally, trolleys were also included in the Panama City Christmas parades, with volunteers throwing tokens to the assembled crowds to encourage patronage.

References: Various editions of the *Panama City News-Herald*.

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TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTING IN THE 1970's

By John Coffee

The decade of the 1970's was one of really intense activity in our hobby, and it saw the AVA gather in 716 new members, moving from #1131 in January, 1970, to #1847 in December, 1979. Perhaps the chief impetus for our growth was the publication of the big Third Edition of the Atwood Catalogue in the spring of 1970. This 732-page book replaced the 480-page Second Edition which had been published in 1963. The 1970 book included for the first time considerable information on the background of the tokens. We printed 3,500 of them (cf the Fifth Edition, which had a total printing of only 2,000).

Going over issues of The Fare Box to jog my memory, I am impressed by the fascinating articles of the period. Many of these are reproduced in Volume II of our catalogue, but many are not. There are a large number of splendid scholarly articles by the late Frits Bingen of Rotterdam, Netherlands. These deserve to be republished in a separate booklet, for nothing like them has ever been published on European tokens before or since. Some examples: "A Vecturist in Hamburg," "Old Toll Road and Bridge Toll Tokens of Netherlands," and "A Visit to the Royal Coin Cabinet at Brussels."

But from the perspective of the collector of U.S. tokens, the acquisition of all the records of Meyer & Wenthe of Chicago, which at the time was the world's largest manufacturer of tokens, stands above everything else. Nearly all the information on dates of striking and number struck of TT's in Volume II comes from these records. They were acquired for us by AVA Past President Duane Feisel, who had a close working relationship with the firm. Duane made three separate trips, each time staying for several days, to study and copy these records. The whole story is told in the May, 1975, Fare Box. It was Duane's relationship with Meyer & Wenthe, also, that made it possible for us to unmask the fraudulent tokens of the Washington Hotel of Burlington, WA, now listed as Fantasy WA-1 on Page 702 of Volume I. During the same decade Duane sold his huge TT collection, which had been the second largest in existence. Enlarged by the acquisition of the Max Schwartz and Joe Allis collections, Duane's collection coming on the market caused something of a feeding frenzy. Meanwhile Duane remained active in all sorts of other kinds of tokens, most especially California trade tokens of which his collection may be the finest extant.

The AVA conventions of the decade were the best attended of all we have held. The first one of the 70's was at Dallas, and among the many present were our present secretary Louis Crawford, then about 13, accompanied by his father, as well as J.L. Hargett, Roger Bolz, and Duane Feisel. I didn't make that one. But I co-chaired (with Clarence Heppner) the 1971 convention at Seattle. He invited a lot of local coin collectors to come along on our boat tour with us, so we have over 100 for the tour, and they grabbed up the little tour token (which I designed using white metal SofSpra car wash planchets). In 1972 we convened at Chicago and Joel Reznick presided, issuing a pure silver tour token struck by Franklin. For 1974 we met at Minneapolis, and I remember I was aboard the Empire Builder from Seattle the day President Nixon resigned, on my way to the convention. In 1975 we met at Los Angeles the weekend prior to the big A.N.A. convention which met only a block away. Result was lots of people arriving early for ANA attended our conclave. We had to move in extra chairs for the banquet when more than 100 people showed up for it. Bob Ritterband presided over that one with his usual gregarious efficiency. In 1977 we met at Carson City, NV, one of my favorites of AVA conventions. Hal Dunn, then AVA president, chaired the convention.

That decade I rode Amtrak every summer except 1976, when I bought a brand new 1976 Buick Regal and used the trip to visit lots of collectors. I stayed the first night out with Don Mazeau, who was then our Secretary, in Connecticut. Then two nights with David Schenkman in Maryland just outside D.C.

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I didn't find any rare tokens at the source that trip, but did work some great trades with collectors along the way. After my visit with David, I headed west and spent the night in Lincoln, NE, with Roger Bolz. Then on to Denver where I spent two nights with Toby Frisbee. The Denver collectors rolled out the red carpet and we had a big gathering at Tom McDonald's home the night after I arrived. Ralph Freiberg came up to Reno, NV, and rode with me back to Oakland where I spent a couple weeks with Hal & Louise Ford. Stopping at Sacramento Ralph and I visited the local transit and after going thru dozens of tokens I found just one of CA 715 AA. When I told Hal Ford about it he insisted next day we drive back so he could try his luck. We did, and he found two of them. It's still a tough token to acquire.

I mentioned that a lot of rare tokens moved around during the 1970's, the most significant "move" being the sale of Feisel's collection. But Dan DiMichael also sold his collection (except Pennsylvania, which he kept for a few more years), as did Don Mazeau and Joe Allis. Joe had specialized in celluloid & vulcanite, and he had some beauties.

On the other hand, in the January, 1970, Fare Box we find the announcement that former member Norm Sherman had acquired every known horsecar token, quite an accomplishment (though since then the Winchester, KY, and Gainesville, TX, horsecars have shown up, so he didn't have all that we now know of.) Hal Ford and I visited Norm back in 1966 in his home in Santa Barbara. He had one of the most beautiful homes I have ever been in. Right on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean, surrounded with palm trees, the wall of the living room facing the ocean was all glass. What a view! Norm was a fascinating guy. He had been a bush pilot back in the 1920's, or a "barnstormer" as they sometimes called them. He'd fly into a town and give rides in his airplane for \$5 ("or whatever the traffic would bear") to those local people who didn't mind taking a chance.

My Amtrak trips that decade were generally terrible. The "California Zephyr" from Chicago to Oakland was "the worst train ride I've ever endured. It was 97 in the shade outside and only one car in a train of some 20 was air-conditioned. The train was a rolling horror show, jam-packed with suffering humanity. The lights didn't work; the air-conditioning didn't work; the window so filthy you could not see out of it..." Etc. But in between trains that 1974 trip was great. David Schenkman met my overnight train from Boston to D.C. and we drove up thru Lancaster County, PA, visiting antique flea markets. I found only one good token: Timetable AB, for only 25¢ (a nice encased 1901 Indian cent timetable). But David found PA 750 AV for just \$17. We dropped by to visit Dan DiMichael in Coatesville, PA, and found him sitting on his living room floor surrounded by tokens. On the way back to D.C. David and I stopped by to visit George Fuld in Baltimore and have lunch with him. George was at the time an active token dealer.

Three years later, in 1977, Amtrak was even worse. I left Chicago July 2, 1977, aboard the "California Zephyr," which was "jam-packed with people not realizing what Amtrak had in store for them." "Not only was there no air-conditioning in my sleeping car, there wasn't even any electricity to work the fan." Waxing eloquent in the August 1977 Fare Box, I went on: "Sleeping that night in my roomette was somewhat akin to trying to sleep in the black hole of Calcutta..." At Denver half the passenger refused to continue aboard that dreadful train and headed to the airport. (But Amtrak slowly improved, and my last Amtrak trip, in 1991, was perfect.)

During the 1970s, vecturist personal tokens became very popular, and hundreds of them were issued. They became a delightful, inexpensive, hobby by themselves. What injured them as a hobby was the issuance of very fancy medals, even jewelry in the form of personal tokens, which people charged for. The original idea was that they were just "calling card" tokens given out free. If we went back to that I think personals would revive as a sideline collecting interest.

The 1970's decade saw the loss of some of the giants of the hobby. Ralph Freiberg, who more than anyone except Roland Atwood himself made our catalogues what they are, died in May, 1979. I still miss him poignantly. Max Schwartz, the founder and first president of the AVA, died in 1979. "Max Schwartz was one of the reasons this hobby has grown to what it is today," I wrote in the September, 1979, Fare Box, "and he is one of the chief reasons that, for many of us, it is a lot more than just a hobby."

And Corinne Black! On several occasions I had spent the night with her and Bill in their home in McKeesport, PA. Bill started out as a kid driving horsecars in McKeesport, then electric streetcars, then buses. His life spanned the history of urban transit, and he held Badge #1 with Penn Transit. Sitting with Bill & Corinne on their big porch on Evans Street watching life go by as we sipped cokes and talked tokens, is one of the precious memories I retain from those good old days.

But there are always new collector friends to replace the old ones, and I suppose that is why token collecting is "more than just a hobby" for a lot of us.

IN MEMORIAM: HUBERT L. RABURN and ROBERT SAXON

Hubert Raburn of Philadelphia, AVA 621, joined us in December, 1964, when he was only 36 years old. A streetcar motorman, Hubert was a faithful and regular convention goer, and those of us who also attend conventions remember him as a friendly, outgoing, wonderful person. An active collector and a good friend, I shall miss him this year in Idaho, but he'll be there with us in spirit, as will so many others who have passed this way, and departed. Hubert died June 26 at age 72.

Dr. Robert Saxon, PhD, of Princeton, New Jersey, AVA 1906, joined us in 1980. A chemist by profession, he was meticulous, brilliant, always friendly, and very much a transit buff. According to his friend Mel Rosenberg, Bob "was a collector not only of tokens, but also transfers. Perhaps most importantly he was engaged in preparation of a directory of transit systems of the United States and Canada. Bob had prepared this directory in a multi-volume, loose-leaf series. He was a careful and thorough historian. bob will be very much missed."

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

3010 RICKY L. CURTIS - 245 McCarty Road - Fredericksburg, VA 22405-5708

Age 44; Carpenter. Collects all types. (Reznick)

3011 ERIC M. FAWCETT - 1524 Pensacola #001 - Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Age 42; Printing Foreman. Collects US, parking, car wash. (Ralph Brown)

3012-J SARIT RATHBONE - 555 So. Barrington Ave. #104 - Los Angeles, CA 90049

Age 9; Student. Collects U.S. (Coffee)

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2206 M.C. Smith - 1801 Granite Drive - Arlington, Texas 76013-6176

1999 Steve Walker - P.O. Box 50788 - Phoenix, Arizona 85076-0788

1146 Herbert Weiss - 247 Farragut Road - North Plainfield, New Jersey 07062-2341

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Karl Gabsch's new phone is 301-843-3898 (home); 703-886-5477 (work).

Karl's e-mail: kgabsch@uu.net

PRICES REALIZED

The prices in the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue are conservative, and meant to be. But of late, the prices that some of the rarer tokens have been bringing have been really up there. Remember, though, when two collectors really want a token, they'll bid each other way up, and that is why prices for tokens, of any sort, are only speculative at best.

Charles Kirtley (P.O. Box 2273 - Elizabeth City, NC 27906) has been running a series of auctions including some good transportation tokens, most of which are from the Curtis Judge collection. Here are some of the prices some of the better tokens brought:

AR 435 A	\$80.00	NE 700 A	\$159.50
CA 895 K	214.00	NC 390 A	275.00
IL 768 C	95.00	OH 175 A	325.00 (nicks)
IN 580 C	110.00	PA 765 Q	140.00
KS 880 A	120.00	TN 430 I	160.00
ME 480 B	90.00	TX 340 E	300.00
MD 60 D	150.00	TX 950 A	150.00
MA 970 B	126.00	UT 750 B	95.00
MI 845 C	85.00	VA 580 C	120.00 (nicks)
MS 660 C	75.00	WA 840 A	55.00
MO 700 B	200.00	WV 890 D	75.00
MO 910 AD	450.00	WI 980 C	102.30
		WY 660 A	150.00

Joe Levine's Presidential Coin & Antique Co. (6550-I Little River Turnpike - Alexandria, VA 22312) ran the auction of the New Jersey Token & Medal Show and Garden State Numismatic Assn. Convention on June 3. There were some really fine transportation tokens therein, and here are the prices realized for some of them:

IL 370 A	\$110.00	PA 315 A	\$135.00
IN 405 A	220.00	PA 385 D	190.00
IN 700 D	110.00	PA 573 A	900.00
IA 380 E	275.00	PA 680 A	100.00 (damaged)
KY 10 S	420.00	PA 750 B	105.00
MD 60 H	175.00	PA 765 U	175.00
MI 590 A	170.00	PA 765 AL	360.00
MN 765 A	370.00	SD 380 A	360.00
MO 945 un	360.00	TX 445 G	115.00
NJ 290 A	75.00	TX 530 A	395.00
NY 140 A	200.00	WV 890 H	111.00
NY 630 R	510.00	WI 105 A	165.00
NY 890 A	105.00	WI 880 E	400.00
NY 935 B	125.00	Unid 64	220.00
OH 900 E	330.00	Unid 184	80.00
OK 190 C	105.00	Unid 249	240.00
PA 73 A	450.00	ON 450 A	330.00

A 10% buyer's fee was charged in addition to the above prices. Many of the above prices were reduced from the high bid. For just one example the actual high bid for NY 630 R was \$900.00.

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GROUP-3038

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GROUP-3070 (Reported by E Bawden)

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GROUP-3082

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I B 23 Sd Parking / Token (auto) .50

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

Apparently Jeannier's Restaurant reordered tokens.

PTMS-3038-A is a token that appears to have been in use in various ways. It is now being catalogued as a parking token. The city of ATHENS, Ohio is using them and they charge \$1.00 each. I believe 25c is more in line.

FIRST & GOAL in BELLEVUE, WA is using tokens but I cannot obtain any info about them. Can a local get us information?

The same is true of the town of BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO, CANADA

The University of Houston Hilton Hotel in Houston, TX is using tokens for parking. Guests of the hotel pay \$3.25 for a token for garage parking but I have no idea what the token looks like. Once again, we need some help from a local collector.

The courthouse in Gretna, LA is using PTMS-3080-L.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME in Notre Dame, Indiana is using parking coupons.

The CFCSE in FALLS CHURCH, VA is using PTMS-3080-Hb.

The TMH Foundation of Tallahassee, FL is using parking stamps.

The TYLER HEMATOLOGY CENTER in Tyler, TX is using PTMS-3080-Gc.

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= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

Steve Walker reports a token that could be a depotel token, but doesn't contain enough wording to make us positive. Nor do we know its origin. The token is octagonal brass, 25mm, inscribed "B.M. BRADFORD TRANSFER" on obverse, with a blank reverse.

They are building a new electric streetcar line, on rails, in my native city of Tacoma, Washington! They call it the Tacoma Light Rail Link, and beginning in the year 2002, three 3-section articulated LRV's, built in the Czech Republic, will begin operating on a 1.6 mile rail line from the Tacoma Dome Station on South 25th Street to the theatre district at south 9th & Commerce. I never thought it would happen! Future plans include light rail all the way to Seattle, and even on to Everett. All I can say is, It's about time.

JUNE SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE
By Harold V. Ford

ARIZONA

Flagstaff 240 (Reported by Joe Radomski)
PINE COUNTRY TRANSIT/25¢ VALUE/779-6624/(MOUNTAIN
SCENE)
E Pw 29 Sd (same as obverse) (green printing) \$0.25

CALIFORNIA

Jamul 401 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
J (4mm recessed toothed border)
A Pr 23 Sd (same as obverse) 1.00

MAINE

Ogunquit 655 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
MOLLY TROLLEY/TOKEN/OGUNQUIT MAINE/(TROLLEY)
A o B 25 Sd Good For/One Fare/1 1.00

MASSACHUSETTS

Greenfield 305 (Reported by Bill Sowell)
GMTA/\$1 TOKEN/75th ANNIVERSARY/(CARTOON BUS)
D o We 39 Sd (blank)(* 9/99 only) 1.00

SOUTH CAROLINA

Aiken 20 (Reported by Bill Sowell)
BEST/FRIEND/EXPRESS/AIKEN, S.C./GOOD FOR
ONE BUS RIDE
A We 38 Sd Wooden Nickel/(buffalo) 1.00

MANUFACTURERS SAMPLES

Group 19 (Reported by Joe Radomski)
MEYER & WENTHE/CHICAGO
AN WM 16 R Good For/One City Fare

CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS

WI 250 C,D (7/98 F.B.) should be "Valid One Fare" not "valid for fare"
also correct same on p. 28 of the 4-year catalogue supplement
M.S. Group 19 AH: add (Vars:) a. straight H; b. curved H

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

The new Flagstaff, AZ, listing is similar to the previously listed 240 C, except that it has only one telephone number, and a different mountain scene. Due to a low supply of this token, the local authority cannot make a supply available for our New Issues Service.

Jamul, CA, is situated about 20 miles southeast of downtown San Diego. The Jamul-Dulzura Union School District encompasses 163 square miles of semi-rural rugged hills in eastern San Diego County and serves 1,240 students. The listed small poker chip-like plastic token is used solely as a student fare token. Due to a very limited supply, the N.I.S. will not handle this one.

The Ogunquit, ME, token has been obsolete since 1998 and the owner of this operation will not sell any tokens at this time. The summer tourist resort area surrounding route U.S. 1, just north of New Hampshire, has had several rubber tired trolley operations over the past ten years.

The Greenfield-Montague Transportation Area token was used for only one week last September to celebrate their 75 years of operation. Bill Garrison was able to secure a supply for the N.I.S.

The Aiken, SC, woodnik listing has been in use for about ten years by local rehabilitation agencies. We are lucky that Bill Garrison was able to obtain a supply of this limited-use issue for the N.I.S.

FOUR-YEAR CATALOGUE SUPPLEMENT BOOKLET NOW AVAILABLE

Ted Meyers has prepared copy for us for a four-year supplement to the Atwood Coffee Catalogue. This would bring the catalogue up to date as of the December, 1999, issue of THE FARE BOX. The trouble is, had we used the same format as in previous years, it would have cost members nearly \$10 each when you include postage.

Accordingly Louis Crawford and I tried to see if we could do something to cut the cost. For one thing, printing in Mississippi is much cheaper than it is in Massachusetts. For another, we limited the booklet to actual new listings from supplements in The Fare Box. This enabled us, by eliminating minor corrections which Ted had always included, to reduce the size of the booklet considerably. Finally, the Token Identifier was prepared separately. The upshot of this is that we have produced a 34-page booklet, saddle-stitched (like the previous ones) and a 7-page Identifier to go with it, but separate from it. Not as nice as in previous years, but it is a complete supplement of all listings reported in catalogue supplements in The Fare Box up thru December 1999.

Best news is this: the cost to you will be only \$2.00 per copy, postpaid. And the AVA does not have to subsidize it (as we did last year, losing over \$200). Louis arranged for the printing, and Louis will send them out directly from Jackson. So you may order the four-year Catalogue Supplement by sending \$2 (six 33¢ stamps will be OK if you prefer) to Louis Crawford - P.O. Box 1776 - Jackson, MS 39215-1776.

ATWOOD-COFFEE FACTS AND FIGURES

Ted Meyers has asked me to pass along to members, especially newer members, that he still has available copies of the "Meyers on Atwood-Coffee" package. Published in 1996, this is an assemblage of 20-plus pages packed with facts and figures on information found inside the Fifth Edition of the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue. Included are detailed compilations and breakdowns by state in such areas as catalogue value, token sizes and shapes, metallic or other composition, token symbols, and colors. If you love numbers, or even if you don't, this is recommended reading.

It's available directly from Ted Meyers for \$5.00 postpaid. Ted alternates between two locations, Brookline, MA, and Vermont. So, if you can, contact him at Meyers T2@AOL.com, and he'll let you know the best address at the moment for ordering. Otherwise, send your order to Box 551 - Saxtons River, VT 05154, and allow possibly four weeks for delivery.

=Remember: the Editor's summer address from July 15 to August 7=
c/o HAROLD FORD - 43 ARROYO DRIVE - MORAGA, CA 94556

SUPPLEMENT #30 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

BY HAROLD V. FORD

FLORIDA

Hernando 335

THE PARTY STORE HERNANDO, FL (CARTOON AUTO)

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) .50

GEORGIA

Statesboro 800

INDEPENDENT SERVICE STATION STATESBORO, GA.

A o B 23 Sd Good For Five Minues in Our Car Wash Meter 5.00

ILLINOIS

Justice 458

U-WASH-UM 8455 SO. ROBERTS ROAD JUSTICE, IL

B Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value rwm (mint mark on right side) 1.00

INDIANA

Elkhart 260

NORTHERN PRIDE'S (on angle across circle) CAR WASH WORLD

D Z 29 Sd (radiating design) (WM-plated) 4.50

Indianapolis 460 (and suburbs)

PRECISION AUTO WASH r (IN RECTANGULAR LOGO)

I Bz 29 Sd No Cash Value hm 6.00

IOWA

Greenfield 405

LITTLE K's CAR WASH TOKEN GREENFIELD, IA (ANTIQUE CAR)

A Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hh .50

KANSAS

Lawrence 540

RIVER CITY CAR WASH 614 N. 2nd STREET LAWRENCE, KS

66044 (JAYHAWK)

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm .50

MAINE

Portland 710

GOOD FOR-5-MINUES AT SOFSpra 327 ST. JOHN STREET PORTLAND,
MAINE

B o WM 27 Sd (Sofspra) (REV. K) (5,000 struck 10/24/66) 7.50

MASSACHUSETTS

Salem 690

HMA. CAR CARE SYSTEMS hh 744-7155 72 NORTH STREET
SALEM,MA.A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your
Dirt Back hh .50MINNESOTA

Minneapolis 540

WASH ME (incuse on CAR) r 333-WASH SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

L Bz 23 Sd Wash Me (incuse on car) r 333-Wash Satisfaction
Guaranteed hm .50

South St. Paul 820

SOUTH ST. PAUL, MN SELF-SERVE TRUCK WASH 494 TO CONCORD

NORTH 1 MILE rwm

A WM 29 Sd Token (emblem on eagle)(stars) 3.00

MISSOURI

Columbia 230

NIFONG-CONVENIENCE-CENTER RT.AC & HWY 63 SOUTH COLUMBIA MO

A Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token (antique car) 2.50
Moscow Mills 615

B & D CARWASH MOSCOW MILLS, MO

A Bz 29 Sd Automatic Car Wash Token hh (antique car) 2.50
Springfield 860

COLONIAL CAR WASH NON-REFUNDABLE 25c

D Bz 25 Sd hm (eagle on emblem over wreath)(stars) .50

MONTANA

Billings 80

CENEX CONVENIENCE STORE AND CARWASH CPI 610 WICKS LN.

BILLINGS, MT. CENEX (incuse on LOGO)

C Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50
Glasgow 340

LAWRENCE CAR WASH SYSTEMS GLASGOW, MT 406-228-4235

(SHINY CAR)

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) .50

NEBRASKA

Fremont 360

25c DISCOUNT ON A CAR WASH ANY TUESDAY'S MOBIL CAR WASH

C o We 38 Sd Wooden Nickel Made in USA (indian head) .75

BUSCHE'S CAR WASH FREMONT, NE.

D WM 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value VB (crown) .50

UNIDENTIFIED

WAGON WASH

438 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm

HUTCHINSON MAYTAG .LAUNDRY.TANNING.CARWASH, YOUR #1 CHOICE

439 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh

SOUTH MAIN GULF WASH & DRY (ANTIQUE CAR)

440 B 29 Sd No Cash Value hh

BLACK MOUNTAIN CAR WASH

441 Z 25 Sd (M logo with front of car) hm (WM-plated)

SPEEDY CAR WASH (SHINY AUTO)

442 Bz 25 Sd Good.For.One Dollar.in.Trade 1⁰⁰ hh

443 B 25 Sd Bay #1 \$1⁰⁰ Only hh

DINO KINGDOM (HEAD OF DINOSAUR)

444 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh

WATERFALLS TOUCHLESS CAR WASH

445 B 23 Sd Automatic Car Wash Token hh (antique car)

BUBBLE MACHINE (BUBBLES)

446 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm

AUTO SHOWER (WET CAR)

447 B 23 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh

NAAMANS CAR WASH 800 NAAMANS ROAD

448 Bz 23 Sd Good.For.One Dollar.in.Trade 1⁰⁰ hh

-CAR- WASH

449 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm

BECKETT CAR WASH RT. 747 @ SMITH rwm

450 Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (front of auto)

Prices Realized From The Second Mark Symons Token Auction

1	1.10	32 No Bid	63 5.00	94 1.25	125 4.55	156 4.40	187 1.65	218 1.50	249 4.57	280 2.39
2	3.33	33 2.25	64 6.10	95 7.63	126 4.55	157 2.78	188 2.95	219 1.00	250 6.05	281 1.40
3	1.22	34 No Bid	65 3.00	96 1.35	127 1.25	158 1.00	189 8.28	220 1.00	251 1.50	282 1.00
4	1.67	35 No Bid	66 2.45	97 3.10	128 No Bid	159 2.60	190 7.98	221 8.80	252 2.95	283 2.08
5	2.75	36 No Bid	67 2.45	98 1.25	129 No Bid	160 1.25	191 No Bid	222 5.39	253 3.30	284 2.08
6	3.58	37 3.85	68 1.75	99 1.25	130 2.75	161 4.17	192 1.25	223 9.35	254 1.00	285 1.00
7	2.55	38 No Bid	69 2.00	100 2.50	131 3.00	162 4.17	193 1.35	224 1.25	255 2.75	286 1.00
8	3.33	39 3.00	70 3.31	101 1.35	132 No Bid	163 1.25	194 2.25	225 6.12	256 1.25	287 1.00
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10	2.25	41 3.00	72 2.00	103 2.25	134 1.00	165 3.00	196 4.50	227 4.00	258 2.08	289 1.00
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12	2.98	43 3.00	74 0.95	105 2.50	136 2.75	167 3.41	198 3.15	229 2.50	260 1.00	291 5.18
13 No Bid	44 3.00	75 No Bid	106 3.50	137 2.10	168 8.20	199 4.46	230 2.25	261 1.20	292 5.25	
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19 No Bid	50 1.45	81 2.78	112 No Bid	143 3.00	174 2.00	205 3.95	236 1.00	267 1.25	298 4.00	
20 2.10	51 No Bid	82 4.17	113 1.05	144 1.70	175 No Bid	206 3.00	237 1.00	268 No Bid	299 4.00	
21 4.40	52 No Bid	83 3.00	114 No Bid	145 2.60	176 1.25	207 2.55	238 3.31	269 2.25	300 3.30	
22 7.95	53 3.30	84 4.40	115 No Bid	146 2.50	177 4.65	208 1.00	239 1.50	270 1.10		
23 5.45	54 2.00	85 4.61	116 0.95	147 3.25	178 No Bid	209 1.00	240 3.00	271 8.50		
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25 2.30	56 No Bid	87 No Bid	118 3.31	149 No Bid	180 3.25	211 2.50	242 5.00	273 1.00		
26 3.33	57 2.00	88 2.08	119 3.10	150 1.65	181 7.63	212 1.00	243 5.00	274 1.25		
27 No Bid	58 1.50	89 1.58	120 2.63	151 2.08	182 2.00	213 1.00	244 4.63	275 2.70		
28 4.15	59 2.00	90 1.55	121 No Bid	152 No Bid	183 2.10	214 2.50	245 4.07	276 2.08		
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31 2.25	62 1.50	93 2.55	124 5.95	155 1.50	186 3.25	217 1.00	248 1.35	279 2.10		

For list of tokens see page 22 of the February 2000 Fare Box

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COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO
AUGUST 10-13, 2000
= pure silver special tour token this year =

3rd AUCTION OF TOKENS FROM THE MARK SYMONS COLLECTION

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MAIL BIDS TO: Joel J. Reznick, 116 Meyerson Way, Wheeling, IL 60090-2101

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3. NC 690 E	53. OH 605 E	103. PA 630 C	153. TX 445 N	203. WV 290 B	253. MA 660 D
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7. ND 440 B	57. OH 860 S	107. PA 750 AX	157. TX 640 A	207. WI 170 B (holed)	257. MT 140 A
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9. OH 10 D	59. OH 915 G	109. PA 750 BA	159. TX 810 AD	209. WI 330 I	
10. OH 10 K	60. OH 1000 O	110. PA 750 BD	160. TX 810 AF	210. WI 430 B	
11. OH 10 L	61. OH 1000 P	111. PA 750 BE	161. TX 810 AG	211. WI 430 E	
12. OH 10 N	62. OK 70 A	112. PA 765 AG	162. TX 810 AB	212. WI 430 K	
13. OH 15 G	63. OK 70 C	113. PA 775 A	163. TX 810 AS	213. WI 790 Q	
14. OH 15 H	64. OK 570 A	114. PA 785 J	164. UT 300 A	214. WI 850 C	
15. OH 35 C	65. OK 610 C	115. PA 785 K	165. UT 750 T	215. WI 920 G	
16. OH 35 F	66. OK 640 G	116. PA 785 L	166. UT 750 U	216. WI 930 D	
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19. OH 125 D	69. OR 60 B	119. PA 870 A	169. VY 150 H	219. WI 974 A	
20. OH 160 E	70. OR 240 J	120. PA 875 B	170. VT 700 A	220. WI 975 B	
21. OH 165 U	71. OR 240 K	121. PA 930 A	171. VT 700 B	221. WY 60 A	
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24. OH 175 Z	74. OR 700 S	124. PA 950 C	174. VA 20 P	224. DC 500 AQ	
25. OH 175 AAb	75. OR 700 U	125. PA 950 Ja	175. VA 120 A	225. DC 997 A	
26. OH 175 AF	76. OR 880 A	126. PA 1000 I	176. VA 120 B	226. AB 250 A	
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29. OH 230 O	79. PA 15 P	129. RI 521 F	179. VA 580 P	229. NS 200 C	
30. OH 230 R	80. PA 20 C	130. RI 521 G	180. VA 600 A	230. ON 825 ACb	
31. OH 230 AH	81. PA 65 Ca	131. RI 700 M	181. VA 600 Ba	231. AK 300 X	
32. OH 380 A	82. PA 65 D	132. SC 40 A	182. VA 600 C	232. CT 30 A	
33. OH 380 C	83. PA 65 K	133. SC 210 A	183. VA 600 Da	233. CT 290 G	
34. OH 385 E	84. PA 65 N	134. SC 310 C	184. VA 600 F	234. CT 305 E	
35. OH 425 A	85. PA 65 O	135. SD 890 C	185. VA 600 I	235. GA 690 A	
36. OH 435 D	86. PA 65 Qa	136. TN 20 A	186. VA 600 Ja	236. IL 150 AG	
37. OH 440 C	87. PA 125 B	137. TN 20 B	187. VA 600 La	237. KS 820 B	
38. OH 440 F	88. PA 175 A	138. TN 20 C	188. VA 700 B	238. KS 980 E	
39. OH 440 H	89. PA 180 A	139. TN 20 D	189. VA 700 G	239. KY 510 AP	
40. OH 440 KA	90. PA 180 Ea	140. TN 20 E	190. VA 775 A	240. ME 710 A	
41. OH 440 Kb	91. PA 305 C	141. TN 120 G	191. VA 300 D	241. ND 60 J	
42. OH 440 M	92. PA 340 C	142. TN 600 K	192. WA 720 A	242. MD 60 AL	
43. OH 440 N	93. PA 340 D	143. TN 600 L	193. WA 780 K	243. MA 115 Pc	
44. OH 440 P	94. PA 420 A	144. TX 135 E	194. WA 780 Y	244. MA 115 Rc	
45. OH 465 D	95. PA 445 D	145. TX 255 Y	195. WA 780 U	245. MA 115 S	
46. OH 505 A	96. PA 455 G	146. TX 255 Z	196. WA 780 W	246. MA 115 Ub	
47. OH 515 C	97. PA 470 A	147. TX 256 A	197. WA 780 AA	247. MA 115 Vb	
48. OH 520 E	98. PA 495 I	148. TX 320 I	198. WA 840 T	248. MA 115 Wa	
49. OH 520 F	99. PA 495 L	149. TX 360 D	199. WA 840 V	249. MA 115 X	
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01 AUCTION (close July 29)

Unlisted transportation tokens larger than NY 285-D. This token was described completely in a Fare Box article on page 145 of the December 1994 issue. Best offer wins it. E-mail: bennick@cfw.com

David Bennick
286 Cranberry Drive
Stuarts Draft VA
24477-3047

03 BUY/TRADE

PLEASE sell me your phone tokens from any country in the world (not phone cards). E-mail me your list with price. vzhobbies@aol.com
Phone: (813) 633-3403.

Victor Zilaitis
2018 Heathfield Cir.
Sun City Center FL
33573-7304

23 SALE

100 all different TT's \$17
200 all different TT's \$38
300 all different TT's \$69
400 all different TT's \$100.
Bill Garrison
9505 Normandy Avenue
Morton Grove IL
60053-1338

23 SALE

[IN] 820-C \$2.00; 860-I 50c, J 50c; [KY] 150-J 50c; 260-A 50c; [LA] 470-C \$1.00; [MA] 430-C \$1.50; [MI] 345-E \$2.00; 560-AG \$10.00; [MN] 730-M 70c; [MO] 910-U \$2.00; [NJ] 555-D 25c. Also need a SASE.

Bob Kelley
2689 Cliff Road
North Bend OH
45052-9718

At 2X catalogue plus postage: [MO] 430-C; 440-W; 860-H, I; 910-AA; [MT] 480-Ib, K, M; [NH] 500-D; [NJ] 15-A, B; [NV] 500-D, H; [OR] 60-B; 160-J; 240-D, G, I, J, K; 400-B, C, E; 520-C; 700-L, N, O; 800-E; [VA] 20-K; 560--A; 710-A; 985-A. chucks@vh.net
Chuck Benjamin
42 Kingwood Drive
Poughkeepsie NY
12601-5404

40 WANTED

I'll pay 3X catalogue for nice Muskegon MI celluloid tokens.
Jerry Fitzpatrick
3930 Harbor Point Dr.
Muskegon MI 49441-49441-4682

40 WANTED

Railroad and transportation paper items wanted: Tickets, annual passes, trip passes, timetables, cash fare receipts, admission cards etc. Pre-1940 only. I can offer you cash or transit tokens.

Dan Benice
P. O. Box 5708
Cary NC
27512-5708

[NC] 660-C, 998-C to complete "Hometown" category. Also 1988, 1986, and pre-1981 AVA rosters to copy. NC prison 5c tokens. Your listings are welcomed.

Bill Boncek
5404 Springfield Dr.
Raleigh NC 27609-4610

I'll pay 3X catalogue for nice specimens with good plating on them: [IN] 330-F 50c, G 50c; 570-E 35c, F 35c, G 35c; [KS] 540-B 25c; [MI] 225-C \$2.00; 370-M \$1.00; 530-U \$1.00; [MN] 760-F 75c. Phone: (410) 343-1627.

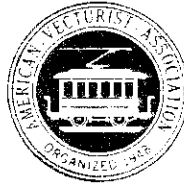
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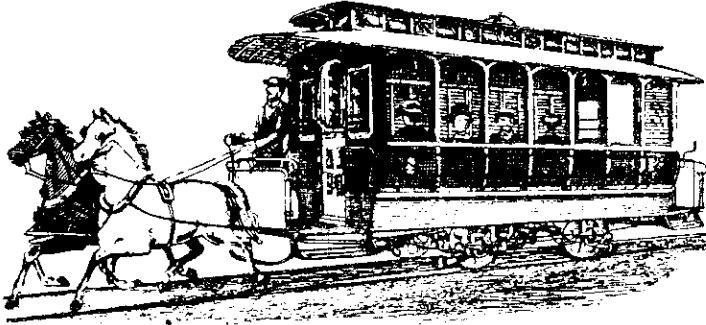
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Our 537th Issue

July 29. The Annual Convention of the American Vecturist Assn. will be held Aug. 10-13 at the Coeur d'Alene Inn in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. There's still time to register. Write Joel Reznick at P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116. I'll be there.

This issue is being mailed from Moraga, CA, and I'll be here until August 8, on which day I shall head north to Idaho for our convention, and then back to Boston. I'll arrive back about August 20, so address mail accordingly.

Hal Ford flew back to Boston to accompany me on my trip west. He arrived July 8, and during that first week he and I drove out to Wellesley College in Wellesley, MA. Louis Crawford had learned that a token was being used on their "Senate Bus." Turns out they do use tokens, available in vending machines at \$1.75 each (machines also sell candy bars and peanuts!). Trouble is the token is a generic that has "no cash value" on one side and an eagle with "token" above it on the other, 29mm brass. As these are also used in video games and all sorts of other things we don't list such tokens. Also during the week Larry Kemper was in town and dropped by for a visit, bringing along the pattern horsecar token listed this month. Very impressive token, but almost certainly only a mule or an error.

We left Boston on Monday, July 17, in the Lincoln, heading for Rome, NY, where we had been led to believe they were using a new token. We visited the bus center where the very accommodating people let us go thru all their tokens. We each purchased a couple sets of everything they had available, but there was nothing new. Our next stop was Utica. First to the bus garage, from whence we were directed to the bus center downtown, right during rush hour. At this point the sky opened up in a driving downpour. While I sat in the Lincoln double parked, Hal ran over to where we thought tokens were available, only to be told he had to go up the street another block. Now soaked to the skin, Hal found the right place just 4 minutes before it closed. There we found a new unlisted senior plastic token in use, and NY 905 K still in use. We are working on getting a supply of the senior token for the New Issues Service. After spending the night at Utica (in a dreadful motel) we crossed into Canada at Niagara Falls where they still use NY 640 H. But its fare value is now \$2.50 US or \$3.50 Can. In Niagara Falls, Ontario, we found the Classic Car Wash, which no longer uses tokens, but did once. The owner had about half a dozen specimens left, which he let us have. He was a fascinating individual, with a large collection of old Coca Cola paraphernalia around the place. That night we stayed at Sarnia, Ontario, where bus tokens are not in use, but the Port Huron-Sarnia Bridge still uses MI 775 G. Westward across Michigan, we stopped at Grand Haven, where they have been using a bunch of tokens, some of which are



still not listed. No one has had any luck with them, though, and that included us. The only tokens now in use are MI 360 K and the new one listed this month. They did not seem especially receptive to collectors.

A former student of mine, Chris Cooper (who accompanied me across the country in 1994) now lives in Holland, MI, so we visited him and he directed us to the Voss Boys Car Wash, whose token was recently listed in a Supplement. We got a few of the \$1 tokens from the owner. We then followed Chris in his car south to the tiny community of Saugatuck. Saugatuck is a wealthy summer resort with lots of enormous yachts tied up along the river. Of interest to us, though, was the tiny chain ferry that operates across the river. It was propelled by a couple of girls who looked college age, who turned a large crank that hauled the boat along a submerged chain. Anyway Louis Crawford had hints they might have a token. They do. But as they required cash I didn't have enough to supply the N.I.S. I did get one roll of each, and as they had lots of the tokens there in the Village Hall, I am confident we'll supply them to our N.I.S. They are beautiful little tokens.

At Berrien Springs, MI, we learned that car wash token MI 85 A has been obsolete for about 7 years. We then visited the little bus company, but it does not use tokens. We spent the night at South Bend. Called the bus system but nothing new. At Peoria, IL, we learned they do not use tokens.

Cassville, WI: they had used 6 different ferry tokens. I called from Boston and was told they had some of the WI 110 A, which is the rare one I still need. So we drove somewhat out of our way to Cassville in southwest Wisconsin. Arriving just before 5 pm, the man at the little ferry told us the tokens were in the Town Hall, but everyone would be going home at 5 pm. Rushing across the BNSF tracks to the Town Hall, we found the friendly lady who had hundreds and hundreds of the now obsolete ferry tokens, all we wanted at \$3 each. But not one of the WI 110 A, unfortunately. As these had been N.I.S. tokens some years back, we didn't buy any. As returning to our westward route involved a long roundabout way, we decided, with hesitation, to take the rather primitive ferry (accompanied by one other car) across the Mississippi. On the other side we drove down a gravel road a few miles to the blacktop, and found our way back to civilization, and saved at least 50 miles of heavy traffic. The ferry fare is now \$10 for car and everyone in it, but no tokens. It was a delightful ferry ride. We spent that night at Waterloo, IA; then Lexington, NE; then Rock Springs, WY; then Winnemucca, NV. Our last day we stopped at Fairfield, CA, where they are using CA 280 B & C, which are now worth \$5 each. We arrived in Moraga on July 24. Later we visited a car wash at Gilroy, CA, where the change machine sometimes will give you a token instead of a quarter, and sometimes it won't. We got a few.

This past week Hal Ford and I were guests, by special invitation, of Michael Hoffman who operates the Hoffman Mint in Carmel. I expect to have a more detailed story of this operation in a later issue, as we had the privilege of viewing the token-manufacturing process from planchet making to the finished products. Some of the most spectacular products of Hoffman Mint are not the tokens, but the magnificent calendar medals they produce, each one struck multiple times. He has these glorious high relief sculpted 3-inch bronze (very heavy) medals for year 2000 and year 2001, for sale at \$29.95 each plus \$3.95 postage. Michael added he would enclose a small package of Hoffman Mint advertising tokens with the medals for any AVA member who orders a medal and requests the tokens. You may order them from Hoffman Mint at P.O. Box 896 - Carmel, CA 93921. Michael, incidentally, has been an AVA member for many years and is a member of our New Issues Service.

The four-year Catalogue Supplement, which updates the 5th edition of the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue, is still available for only \$2 postpaid. This booklet makes the catalogue current as of December 1999. Order from AVA Secretary Louis Crawford at P.O. Box 1776 - Jackson, MS 39215-1776. It includes a complete token identifier.

Kirk Smith (Box 4210-214, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-1775) is selling his father Kenneth Smith's foreign token catalogues @ \$20 each postpaid. Write him directly.

CONNECTICUT

Old Saybrook 348 (Reported by Donald Mazeau)
SHORELINE TROLLEY/(TROLLEY)
A Wr 39 Sd Good/For/One/Fare \$1.00

FLORIDA

Panama City 690 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
SET SAIL ON THE BAY TOWN TROLLEY/769-0557/COMPLIMENTARY
TRIP/ONE WAY
D We 39 Sd Tuit (Vars:) .50
a. (circle around "tuit")
b. (no circle)

ILLINOIS

Patterns 998 (Reported by Larry Kemper)
LINCOLN MONUMENT/(MONUMENT)/C.H. Hanson,/Chic.
U WM 25 Sd Good For/One Fare/(horsecar)

IOWA

Burlington 110 (Reported by Bill Sowell)
BURLINGTON CITY LINES, INC./IOWA/rwm/(BUS)
N WM 23 Bar Good For/One Fare/(bus)(2 diamonds) .50

MICHIGAN

Grand Haven 360 (Reported by Tom Cabanaw)
SPRING LAKE/MICHIGAN/FROM SAWS TO SAILS/WHERE NATURE SMILES
FOR SEVEN MILES/(SCENE)(red inscription)
J Pw 29 Pc One/Fare/(trolley)(blue inscription) 1.00
Kalkaska 535 (reported by Garrison and Crawford)
KALKASKA PUBLIC TRANSIT/AUTHORITY/(TROLLEY)/hh
F o B 29 Sd National Trout Festival/Kalkaska,/Mi./(trout over 1989 incused) 5.00
G o B 29 Sd National Trout Festival/Kalkaska,/Mi./(trout over 1990 incused)
(WM-plated) 5.00
Saugatuck 880 (Reported by Crawford)
SAUGATUCK FERRY (on picture of FERRY)/ESTABLISHED 1856
A B 25 Sd World's Only Hand Cranked Chain Ferry/Saugatuck, Michigan/
One/Adult/Fare/rwm 1.00
B B 20 Sd World's Only Hand Cranked Chain Ferry/Saugatuck, Michigan/
One/Youth/Senior/Fare/rwm .50

MINNESOTA

Arlington 67 (Reported by Crawford)
TRAILBLAZER/COMMUNITY TRANSIT
A Pw 38 Sd Please Call/507-964-2122/Or/1-888-Ride-TCT/For Information/
And Assistance! (blue lettering) 1.00
Blue Earth 110 (Reported by Crawford)
PRAIRIE EXPRESS/1-877-579-7821/526-RIDE/(7433)
D Pg 43 Sd (same as obverse) 1.00
Cambridge 148 (Reported by Crawford)
CHISAGO COUNTY/HEARTLAND EXPRESS/(PEOPLE IN BUS WINDOWS)
A Py Oc Sd In-City/One-Way (red printing)(37mm) 1.50
B Pw Oc Sd County-Wide/One-Way (purple printing)(37mm) 2.00
C Pr 29 Sd Senior/Dining/Fare (gold printing) .50
D Pr 29 Sd Nutrition (gold printing) .50

MINNESOTA (continued)

Dawson 213 (Reported by Crawford)

		DAWSON/HEARTLAND EXPRESS/ONE WAY/RIDE/(PEOPLE IN BUS WINDOWS)sm	
A	Pb 28 Sd	(blank)(student-senior token)(black printing)	\$1.00
B	Py 28 Sd	(blank)(adult token)(green printing)	1.00

Little Falls 460 (Reported by Crawford)

		MORR TRANS/TOLL FREE/1-877-457-4318/(MAP)	
A	Pb 43 Sd	(blank)(white printing on obverse)	6.00
B	Pg 43 Sd	" (black printing on obverse)	2.00
C	Pr 43 Sd	" "	1.00
D	Pw 43 Sd	" "	2.00
E	Py 43 Sd	" "	2.00

Northfield 600 (Reported by Crawford)

		NORTHFIELD/TRANSIT/ONE FARE	
D	Pw 28 Sd	(same as obverse)(maroon lettering)	1.00

Olivia 625 (Reported by Crawford)

		RENVILLE COUNTY/HEARTLAND EXPRESS/1-800-450-7964/523-2202/ GOOD FOR 1 RIDE/(PEOPLE IN BUS WINDOWS)	
A	Pw 39 Sd	(same as obverse)(green printing)	.75

NEW YORK

Cortland 160 (Reported by John Coffee)

		TOPS/FRIENDLY/MARKETS	
D	Py 38 Sd	Good For/One FREE/Senior Citizen/Ride (black printing)	1.00

NORTH DAKOTA

Fargo 260 (Reported by Bill Garrison)

		BUS TOKEN/FARGO-/MOORHEAD/1980	
O o B	26 Pc	MAT (logo)	1.00
		BUS TOKEN/FARGO-/MOORHEAD/1990/rwm	
P o B	26 Pc	MAT (logo)	1.00

TENNESSEE

Gatlinburg 320 (Reported by Crawford)

		TROLLEY FARE/GATLINBURG, TN/(TROLLEY)/oc	
D	A 39 Sd	Gatlinburg (logo)(anodized green)	.50

TEXAS

Fort Worth 340 (Reported by Crawford)

		DOWNTOWN/SUNDANCE SQUARE CULTURAL DISTRICT/ZOO/STOCKYARDS/ THE T (STAR LOGO)("T" is incused)	
W	B 29 Sd	Good For One Fare/Longhorn Trolley/2000/(longhorn incused inside star)(* 4/2/2000)	2.00

WASHINGTON

Oak Harbor 595 (Reported by John Coffee)

		BRATTLAND/GO-KARTS/675-5667/NON-REFUNDABLE/GOOD FOR ONE RIDE/ AT THE BLUE FOX DRI-VIN/hh	
A o B	29 Sd	No/Cash/Value/hh	2.50
B o B	29 Sd	Pepsi (inside logo) r	3.50
C	B 29 Sd	" (WM-plated)	4.50

WEST VIRGINIA

Morgantown 480 (Reported by Crawford)

		MOUNTAIN/LINE TRANSIT/AUTHORITY (inside LION logo)/ BLUE & GOLD TRANSFER	
E	We 39 Sd	Wooden/Nickel/(buffalo)	.25

UNIDENTIFIED (Reported by Steve Ratliff)

F. WEINBERG & E. HOHNE/GOOD FOR/ONE RIDE/KEEP YOUR SEATS/WHILE RIDING

274 B 28 Sd (blank)(possibly Tampa-St. Petersburg, FL, area)

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

Don Mazeau, for many years secretary of the AVA, reported that a rubber-tired trolley in his town was using a wood token. The Old Saybrook trolley is seasonable, running June 30 thru August 20, Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. Fare is \$1, but supply of the tokens is limited and it was all Donald could do to get us a handful of them. So this one won't be handled by the New Issues Service.

Information on the Panama City, FL, woodnick is contained in Louis Crawford's article on page 60 of the June Fare Box. This one will not be available thru N.I.S.

Larry Kemper was in Boston just before John Coffee and I left for California, and he dropped up to visit, bringing along the fascinating and fabulous horsecar token listed this month as IL 998 U. The token has the reverse of IL 795 D on one side, and the reverse of IA 590 B (also used on ON 675 A and a couple others) on its other side. We must assume it is a pattern or mule error.

The Burlington, IA 110 N is just like 110 H except that a new die has been made by Roger Williams Mint bearing their rwm mintmark. Interesting that a public authority has duplicated a 53-year-old token design originally issued by a private entity. We are hopeful the New Issues Service will be able to handle this one. The reverse of 110 N differs slightly from any of the Reverse Types pictured on page xviii of the catalogue.

John Coffee and I visited the office of the transit in Grand Haven, MI, and found only two different tokens in use. One is a new one: like MI 360 N but holed for complimentary fare. MI 360 K is the only other token in use. It is not likely the N.I.S. will be able to supply this one to its members, unfortunately.

The Kalkaska, MI, trout festival tokens have been known for some time. Originally we had been led to understand they were only souvenirs, but just recently a letter from the Authority there confirms that they were definitely used for "trolley" rides. The tokens were discontinued after 1990 because of their cost. These won't be available to New Issues Service members.

Louis Crawford saw something on the internet referring to high school graduates being given tokens for a ferry ride in Saugatuck, MI. So John Coffee and I visited there and found a tiny ferry, capacity probably only about 12 passengers, that crosses a river about 300 feet wide. Tokens are in use, picturing the little ferry, which are sold in the Village Hall. The New Issues Service is working on getting supplies of both for its members. Incidentally the slash (/) between "youth" and "senior" on the reverse of MI 880 B appears on the token itself.

Trailblazer Transit of Arlington, MN, serves in two counties. The Faribault County Prairie Express of Blue Earth, MN, began operating in 1999, subsidized by the State. Rides in 1999 were free, but now fare is \$1 using tokens. Service is door-to-door, Monday thru Friday only, 8 am to 5 pm. They have 2 13-seat buses.

"Heartland Express" is a name common to a number of operations in Minnesota, and several do use plastic tokens. The Chisago County operation in Cambridge uses four different tokens, as listed. The "senior dining fare" and "nutrition" tokens are for seniors riding to special meals programs. An unusual use. Like most of these little services, this one is only Monday thru Friday. 5 am to 5 pm. Dawson Hartland Express also operates only on weekdays, door-to-door, and seems mostly to be used by elderly and children, though anybody is welcome to ride.

Morr Trans tokens of Little Falls were mentioned in comments last year. Morrison County Social Services seems to use several different transportation providers, each

with its own hours of operation, routes, and fares. MN 460 A is a \$6 fare used on long-distance runs. 460 B and D are used for medical purposes. The 460 C is for in-town use. 460 E is used on runs from Upsala to Albany. MN 600 D from Northfield is the same as 600 C, issued some years ago, but in a new color. Renville County Heartland Express of Olivia operates Monday thru Friday only, and uses tokens for in-town rides. Seniors may ride free, but are asked for a donation.

Because of limited numbers, none of the Minnesota plastic tokens are expected to be available for distribution by the New Issues Service.

Just on a hunch, John Coffee called Cortland Transit in New York State, and was told by them that a yellow token is now used for seniors to ride to a grocery market. They didn't strike very many of them, though, so it won't be available for N.I.S.

Metropolitan Area Transit in Fargo, ND, took their 260 J and L tokens and punched holes in them for use on "Children's Energy Saver Buses" in the late 1980's and early 1990's. As holes were done by the bus company, the size of the holes varies somewhat from token to token. They are no longer used, but Bill Garrison did manage to get enough of ND 260 P for the New Issues Service. He obtained some of the 260 O and will put them on his sale list.

Gatlinburg, TN, went to a larger token because Pigeon Forge, TN, tokens (same size as its 320 B and C) were being dropped into its fare boxes. Bill Garrison did get enough of the new 320 D for the New Issues Service.

There is a trolley route in downtown Fort Worth that uses tokens which are very attractive, and went into use when the service began running on April 2, 2000. The slash marks (/) between "downtown" and "sundance", and "district" and "zoo" are on the token itself. Bill Garrison did get a supply of this one for the New Issues Ser.

Louis Crawford phoned the proprietor of Brattland Go-Karts in Oak Harbor, WA, and learned that the 595 A was first used for a \$2.50 ride in a single-seat go-kart. Later he purchased two-seat karts and raised the cost to \$3 for a single seat, and \$3.50 for a two-seater. At this time he painted a number of the tokens red to denote the higher fare. Soon thereafter he ordered the new tokens, with the brass continuing to be for a single-seat kart and the WM-plated ones for two-seaters. Later the cost was \$4 regardless on one or two seaters, and tokens were used interchangeably. Fare is now \$4.50 and only WM-plated tokens are used. We have supplies of 595 B and C for the N.I.S., but not of 595 A. Red painted tokens, of which only a couple survive, won't be given a separate listing.

The WV 480 E woodnik transfer token is given to passengers who transfer from an express bus to one going downtown. We are working on getting a supply for N.I.S.

We don't know what Unid. 274 was used on. There was a Frederick Weinberg listed as a fish dealer in a 1913 Tampa directory, but there's no indication he ever operated anything that used a token. Steve Ratliff did obtain the token in Florida.

In South Bend, IN, John Coffee and I called the local transit and were surprised to learn that they are using a Sioux City, IA 850 R token in South Bend. They also use their own IN 860 J in South Bend.

One problem that bothers us is the Ford City Carousel token situation. We do have a bus token listed, correctly, as IL 150 AH, used from a mall built where a Ford plant was situated during World War II. But we do not have proof that IL 150 AM is really from Chicago. Louis Crawford also has picked up a plastic Ford City carousel token. On the other hand we do have a Ford City carousel token that definitely was used in Ford City, PA. So was IL 150 AM really used in Chicago, or Ford City, PA? And is Louis' plastic really from Ford City, PA? I would like to have more proof where these tokens are from before listing them.

Re the continuing saga of the Anchorage, Alaska, trolley tokens: we now know that a brass token bearing year date 2000 has been issued, although we have not yet seen one. Whether a WM one for 2000 is also being struck we do not know.

SUPPLEMENT #31 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA
By Harold V. Ford

INDIANA

Kokomo 510 (Reported by Larry Kemper)
DIAMOND CAR WASHES (FRONT OF 1930's AUTO)
A B 29 Sd rwm (sparkling diamond) \$3.50
(Also used in Alexandria, Elwood, Frankfort and Tipton)

IOWA

Oelwein 690 (Reported by Ed Bawden)
SHARP CARWASH OELWEIN, IOWA rwm (ANTIQUE CAR)
B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value rwm .50

KENTUCKY

Jenkins 430 (Reported by Hartley; location by Kemper) (ex Unid. 426)
KWIK MART "KWIK AS A WINK" rwm GULF (IN LOGO)
A Bz 29 Sd Jenkins Neon Pine Mt. Jct. Isom Car Wash Token 2.00

OHIO

Miamisburg 555 (Reported by Kemper and Reuben)
MIAMISBURG SPOT FREE (7 STARS)
A Bz 27 Sd Automatic Car Wash Token hm (antique car) 3.00
Toledo 860 (Reported by HF)
DJ'S CARWASH TOKEN rwm (CONVERTIBLE CAR)
J WM 25 Sd No Cash Value rwm (mintmark on right side) .50

OREGON

Hermiston 310 (ex Unid. 409)
HERMISTON CAR WASH rwm
A Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) 2.50

PENNSYLVANIA

Erie 360 (Reported by Ed Bawden)
NEW CONCEPT SELF SERVE CAR WASH ERIE PA. rwm
A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (convertible car) .50

SOUTH DAKOTA

Sturgis 900 (Reported by Gabsch)
GOOD FOR-5-MINUTES AT SOFSPRA E & D CAR WASH INC. STURGIS, S. DAK.
A o WM 27 Sd (Sofspra)(Rev. F)(1,000 struck 6/65) 7.50

TEXAS

Pearland 718
TIDAL WAVE CARWASH 281-485-8777 PEARLAND, TEXAS hm
B Bz 25 Sd Promotion Token 1 Car Wash .50

UTAH

Salt Lake City 750
HOLIDAY CAR WASH 30 (LOGO) 2152 E. 3300 S. SLC, UT (CLOWN HEAD)
M Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hh .50

VIRGINIA

Charlottesville 190 (Reported by Nolan)
TIGER FUEL CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA (TIGER)
C Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value vb (crown) .50

*** CORRECTION: HOLIDAY, FL should be 355, not 335 ***

SUPPLEMENT #32 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA
By Harold V. Ford

ARIZONA

Phoenix 640 (ex Unid. 441)
BLACK MOUNTAIN CAR WASH
W Z 25 Sd (M logo with front of car) hm (WM-plated) \$0.50

DELAWARE

Wilmington 900 (ex Unid. 448)
NAAMANS CAR WASH 800 NAAMANS ROAD
A Bz 23 Sd Good.For.One Dollar.in.Trade 1⁰⁰ hh 1.00

FLORIDA

Panama City 690 (ex Unid. 442 & 443)
SPEEDY CAR WASH (SHINY AUTO)
A Bz 25 Sd Good.For.One Dollar.in.Trade 1⁰⁰ hh 1.00
B B 25 Sd Bay #1 \$1⁰⁰ Only hh 1.00

IDAHO

Boise 100 (ex Unid. 438)
WAGON WASH
F Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm .50

MINNESOTA

Winsted 982 (ex Unid. 439)
HUTCHINSON MAYTAG .LAUNDRY. TANNING.CARWASH. YOUR #1 CHOICE
A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50

SOUTH CAROLINA

Greenwood 500 (ex Unid. 440)
SOUTH MAIN GULF WASH & DRY (ANTIQUE CAR)
B B 29 Sd No Cash Value hh 2.50

UTAH

Sandy 760 (ex Unid. 447)
AUTO SHOWER (WET CAR)
L B 23 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50

WASHINGTON

Spokane 840 (ex Unid. 427 & 446)
BUBBLE MACHINE (BUBBLES)
F Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50
G Bz 25 Sd " " " " hm .50

WEST VIRGINIA

Buckhannon 80 (Reported by Irwin Reuben)
SUPER CAR WASH SELF SERVICE BAYS BUCKHANNON.DAVIS.ELKINS.OAKLAND rwm
A B 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck,car,van, with horiz. lines behind) .50
Weirton 830 (ex Unid. 445)
WATERFALLS TOUCHLESS CAR WASH
A B 23 Sd Automatic Car Wash Token hh (antique car) 2.50

CANADA - ALBERTA

Calgary 140
BOWFORT ROAD CAR, RV & TRUCK WASH 247-2444
K Bz 29 Sd Across From Canada Olympic Park One Wash Token hm 2.50

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10 COLLECTIONS	25 SALE	26 SALE/TRADE
<p>SOFSPRA car wash token starter collection of 40 different from 15 states at 2X catalogue. Please send SASE for list.</p> <p>Al Kohlhardt P. O. Box 2649 Sunnyvale CA 94087-0649</p>	<p>100 mixed transportation tokens, \$15.00 postpaid.</p> <p>James Vander Helm 18618 Birch Avenue Akron IA 51001-8827</p>	<p>Good condition used pre-1965 Colorado Aprings CO fan-folded paper "The Cripple Creek Short Line RR Trip" brochure. Contains mountain route profiles, distances, altitudes and 12 color postcard size scenic views. For sale at \$6.25 or will trade for any TT catalogued at \$5.00 or greater.</p> <p>William Boncek 5404 Springfield Drive Raleigh NC 27609-4610</p>
20 PERSONALS	<p>Twin City Motor Transit school ride tickets (28) at \$1.50 per book; [MI] 75-K TT at \$1.25 each; [WI] 790-L at \$5.00 each; Dated RR nails, dog tags at \$1.00. SASE on above orders, please. Also, uncovered a large hoard of [MI] 75-J TT's. Will sell any quantity, upto 500. Send \$2.00 with order for postage. E-mail: schoolbusben@cs.com</p> <p>"School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924</p>	30 TRADE
<p>150 different personals for \$75.00 & \$5.00 P&I, or best offer.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>		<p>Have over 500+ TT's for trade. Send SASE.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>
25 SALE	26 SALE/TRADE	<p>Will trade my unidentified TT #126 for any PT I need. If no trade, to best offer. Also have some other TT's to trade for PT's.</p> <p>Joe Pernicano 58 Sonia Lane Broomall PA 19008-1422</p>
<p>Sell at 50¢ each & SASE:</p> <p>[NY] 630-AS, AT, AZ; [MI] 225-T; 530-S; [PA] 10-E, F; 340-E; 725-K; [NJ] 885-A, B; [MA] 115-L; 135-C; [PQ] 970-A, C.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>	<p>Car Wash tokens. Have modern to SOFSPRA. Send trade list or SASE for my lists.</p> <p>Al Kohlhardt P. O. Box 2649 Sunnyvale CA 94087-0649</p>	

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30 TRADE	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
Too good to be true! Two for one. If you send me up to 30 different TT's, I will send you 2 for 1, up to 60 TT's of my choice. Note: There will be duplicates and triplicates. Send \$2.00 with order. "School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924	[FL] 1000-M, N; 880-N, O; 105-G; [GA] 60-AN; 920-C; [IN] 590-B; [CA] 128-D; 295-A; 310-B; 745-AB, AC, AD; 500-A; 520-C; 340-A thru E. Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934	I'll pay 3X catalogue for nice specimens with good plating on them for the following: [MO] 910-AB \$1.00; [OR] 800-B \$2.00, C 75c; [OH] 225-B \$2.00; 230-AG \$2.00; [RI] 520-J \$2.00; 521-B \$1.00; [SC] 730-B \$2.50; [TN] 430-W \$1.00; 600-M \$1.00. Phone: (410) 343-1627. Oliver Brauer 18330 Prettyboy Dam Rd Parkton MD 21120-9466
I have one of each: [KY] 680-T and [OH] 520-H, I. Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718	[PA] 750-R, S, T, U, V. I'll pay 2 and 1/2 times catalogue for damage-free specimens. Al Zaika P. O. Box 65 Bellmawr NJ 08099-0065	Will pay full catalogue for Sioux City IA transit tokens. Write with offers. James Vander Helm 18618 Birch Avenue Akron IA 51001-8827
Have quantity of carwash tokens for Buckhannon [WV] 80-A. Catalogue value 50c. Ford says it will be in supplement in the fall. Will trade for any CW NOT CWCS or MSCW. no more than one trade per collector. Irwin Reuben 1319 Epworth Avenue Dayton OH 45410-2615	I will pay five (5) times catalogue for [NJ] 20-A, B; 290-D and 390-B. Paying four (4) times catalogue for [NJ] 20-C; 175-A and 380-A. I will pay a generous price for [NJ] 555-G; 998-A, B, C, E, and G. E-mail: bobslawsky@prodigy.net or write. Bob Slawsky P. O. Box 864 Windermere FL 34786-0864	Transit token holders for my collection. Metal 2 or 3 hole type with advertising on back. Have a few for trade. Al Kohlhardt P. O. Box 2649 Sunnyvale CA 94087-0649

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 3013 HENRY T. NESBITT - 10470 Davwood Lane - El Paso, Texas 79925
Age 68; US Army Retired. Collects all types. (Coffee)
- 3014 LAWRENCE B. CALE - P.O. Box 383 - Woodbury, Connecticut 06798
Age 55; US Civil Servant. Collects all types. (Reznick)
- 3015 ROBERT UECKERT - 2343 Roosevelt #128 - San Antonio, Texas 78210
Age 68; Retired. Collects US (Reznick)
- 3016 WALTER L. GREESON - 6011 Cornell Street - Amarillo, Texas 79109
Age 56; Telephone Repairman. Collects US, Can, Foreign (Weber)
- 3017 GARY KRUESEL - 2302 17½ Street NW - Rochester, Minnesota 55901
Age 55; Customer Satisfaction Mgr. Collects US (Coffee)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 2769 Richard Rudesyle - 270 Main Street - Dupont, Pennsylvania 18641-2067
- 2296 M.C. Smith - 1802 Granite Drive, Apt. 1101 - Arlington, Texas 76013-6176
- 1804 Harry Ticknor - 12 Southridge Road - Darby, Pennsylvania 19023

The WA 595 A listed this month will not be sent out by N.I.S., but Louis Crawford (P.O. Box 1776 - Jackson, MS 39215-1776) has them available for \$1+SASE, or if you aren't in N.I.S. he has all 3 595 A,B,C, for \$2.50+SASE with 55c on it.

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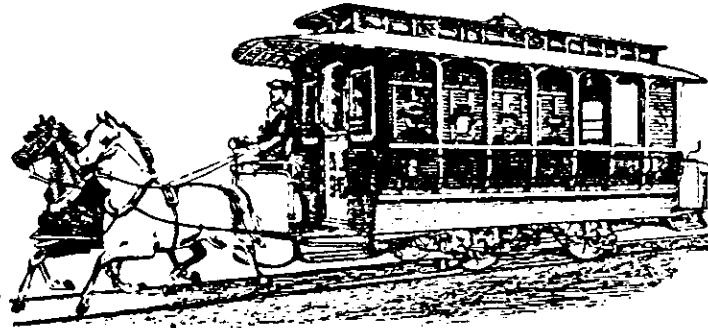
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DAVID M. CREMINS

We share a common loss in the death of David Cremins, AVA #2808, of Tewkesbury, Massachusetts. David joined us in June, 1997, and listed his occupation as Elevator Mechanic. I had not met him personally, but that does not reduce the sadness I feel when we lose one of our own. He was only 57 at the time of his death.

September 21. As always, the August and September issues are going out together in one mailing. In addition, we are sending in the same envelope a dues envelope for your convenience in paying your \$20 AVA dues for year 2001. This may seem early, but late payment of dues, running well into April, has been driving us up the wall! We remove those who have not paid, then we have to retype a label and put it back in the computer. The result is lots of mistakes. **PLEASE** send in your dues right away to Joel. We need to set a deadline of December 31 this time, and your prompt payment of your dues makes an enormous difference in helping us keep this address list up to date and in good order.

Bill Sowell, our New Issues Service Director, reports that he has some vacancies. Our N.I.S. is one of the most useful services offered by the AVA. Its members receive new issues of transportation tokens at a slight mark-up over cost, a far more convenient way of adding tokens to your collection than writing the authority, sending money and return postage, and hoping to get a reply. The member sends an advance deposit of \$30 or so, and Bill draws down on this as he sends out tokens. If interested, write him directly. Address in masthead to the left above.

AVA President John Hoffmann asks me to express our common thanks to the following members, who contributed streetcar pictures and postcards for our display board to be used at other transportation-related conventions: Keith Haney, Chris McGuire, Fred Robinson, Bill Weber. And thanks to the following members who contributed tokens to be passed out to attract new members at these conventions: Charles Bianco, Ralph Brown, Gene Hurford, Steve Ledger, Louis Lockwood, Bob Schopp, Bill Sowell, Forrest Stevens.

Louis Lockwood (10420 Sugardale St., Harrison, OH 45030) has a quantity of 4" brass calipers, which are marked in both inches and millimeters. These are really helpful in figuring the exact size of a token. He'll send you one for \$6 which includes postage to USA address.



This summer I learned of a number of previously unlisted tokens, most of these being new issues. Ed Wadhams reports a token exactly like Bridgeport, CT 35 O, except that this one is WM or WM-plated. Presumably it is in use right now, and we are looking into securing a supply for the NIS.

From Greenfield, MA, a new 28mm brass: GREENFIELD MONTAGUE / TRANSPORTATION AREA / ONE / BASE FARE / TRIP // NON REFUNDABLE / NO CASH VALUE / 1 RIDE TOKEN / hm This one is from Massachusetts and we are working on getting a supply for NIS.



A nice rubber-tired trolley token from Akron, OH: METRO / (TROLLEY) / hm / TROLLEY // DOWNTOWN / (SKYLINE) / AKRON / PARTNERSHIP. When I called them they took my name and sent me one gratis. But when they found out we were collectors they said they needed \$5 per token. So I doubt if this one will be sent out by NIS. It's a 28mm brass.

Ed Gartley reports a 16mm brass token from Virginia Beach, VA: TRT / rwm / TROLLEY // GOOD / FOR / ONE / FARE. We're working on it.

Karl Gabsch picked up another ferry token from Washington, MO, similar to MO 945 A but a different denomination. 29mm brass, all incuse: GOOD FOR / 20 / XXX / BY THE / WASHINGTON FERRY CO. // 20. The three X's are struck over the word "cents" for some reason. Nice old token.

Steve Walker sends a rubbing of a 23mm octagonal brass token: B.M. BRADFORD / TRANSFER // (blank). We have no idea about this one, but it looks like an old depot. He also has a 22mm aluminum: EDDIE'S / TAXI / TEL. LI. 5-2442 // (blank) and again I have no idea of its origin. Incidentally from Steve on a swap I have just acquired the WCUZ token of Grand Rapids, MI, which is still not listed. The token is:

OFFICIAL/GR/WCUZ (ON FRONT OF TROLLEY)/TEN ¢ FARE

B 25 Sd

Good For One Ride/(eagle)/WCUZ 101 fm/1230am/GRATA/Trolley Token

Radio station WCUZ is in Grand Rapids, and the rubber-tired trolley on which this token was used stopped running back around 1979 according to Ed Bawden who lives there. So the token was used probably in the late 1970's as part of some special promotion by the radio station.

From Rock Hall, MD, Louis Crawford reports an unusual woodnick inscribed ROCK HALL / (TROLLEY) / TROLLEY TOKEN // Thanks For / Drinking Responsibly / (Budweiser logo) / Budweiser / We All Make a Difference. We're looking into it.

A nice one I picked up this summer is a WM-plated brass token, 30mm, inscribed THOMAS BUILT BUSES / GOOD FOR 1 / BUS RIDE / hm (on both sides). Thomas is the largest manufacturer of school buses in the country, with headquarters in High Point, NC. With Gene Godsoe's help I got their phone number, called them, and was told that the token was used in connection with a big convention in New Orleans a few years ago. Apparently Thomas had manufactured streetcars in years gone by, including apparently the cars now in use on the St. Charles line in New Orleans. These tokens, I was told, were distributed to people at the convention and were good for rides on the St. Charles streetcars. Before listing it, though, I would like to have stronger information in writing to verify a list for New Orleans.

I picked this one up this summer. Any ideas where it from?

THE/CAROUSEL/PARK/(CAROUSEL HORSE)

B 25 Sd

Good For/One/Carousel/Ride/hm

Bill Sowell found a nice one from Tuscaloosa, AL, and we have already arranged to get a supply for the New Issues Service. The token is 28mm aluminum, with an eagle & stars and the word "token" on reverse, and THE TUSCALOOSA / TROLLEY / GOOD FOR / ONE FARE / rwm on the obverse.

A 28mm brass token I picked up this summer puzzles me. On obverse it has simply "TAT" with a tiny airplane sweeping upwards from lower left to upper right. The plane looks like the Concorde, actually. On reverse nothing but a bar, which could be a figure "1". Any ideas on this? Oh yes, it does have the hm mintmark on reverse, too. Then we have a newly issued 28mm brass carousel token with an e-mail address: CAROUSEL TOKEN/(CAROUSEL HORSE) / est. 2000 / www . gall-eriaroseville . com (on obverse, and) Galleria at Roseville / Carousel Token / (rose) / hm on reverse. This is from Roseville, CA, and I'm confident we can get them for the New Issues.

This summer I picked up a token exactly like AZ 440 A, except the one I picked up is WM-plated. I called the transit in Mesa and was told the WM-plated ones are used alongside the unplated brass ones, and there is no significance to the plating. We'll try to get some for the New Issues Service.

On page 39 of the April issue we mentioned a token acquired by Hal Ford, a 30mm brass inscribed CHILDREN'S ANTIQUE CAROUSEL / CIRCA-1920 / SARDINA / STUDIOS / (CAROUSEL HORSE) // GOOD FOR / ONE / CAROUSEL / RIDE / hm with a lot of stars. We didn't know where it was from. Now we do. It's from the Greater St. Louis area, and we'll try to get a quantity for the New Issues.

Dorothea Case sends along a 40mm wood with black letters. On obverse it has MERRILL / GO ROUND (with the wording shaped like a bus). On reverse it has GOOD FOR / ONE RIDE.

Louis Crawford found a nice carousel token which is not listable because it does not say it's good for a ride, even though it is. The 25mm brass token has NO / CASH / VALUE on reverse with rwm mintmark, and HERITAGE CAROUSEL OF DES MOINES on obverse with a pictured horse and rwm mintmark. Nice Iowa token. Many of us save carousel tokens even if they aren't listable, as I do myself.

At the AVA convention I was given a commemorative (not good for a ride) from Denver. It's 38mm gold-anodized aluminum: REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT / SOUTHWEST / LIGHT / RAIL / RTD // GRAND OPENING / JULY 14, 2000 / (with a map of the new line running from Denver to Littleton. I like these as they complement the tokens issued by the same authority.

Also at the convention Roger Bolz showed me a beauty he had just acquired, from Nebraska. Brass 25mm octagonal: W.R. STEPHENSON / ARCADIA, / NEBR. on obverse, and GOOD FOR / FARE / 25¢ / ONE ROUND TRIP (on reverse).

For some years I have owned a chip kind of token (same material used to make the AVA tour tokens for Topeka and San Jose). It is multicolored, 39mm, inscribed "The Sandy River Railroad Museum The Phillips Historical Society The Scenic Route Sandy River and Rangeley Lakes Railroad Maine" on obverse, and "Ride the Sandy River 'Keep Our Two-Feet Going' Good For One Ride (rail car & conductor) 1995 \$5 Contribution" On the edge it says "The Sandy River Railroad Museum Division of the Phillips Historical Society - Phillips MD 04966". I wrote the secretary of the society, who explained what these are:

"When we bought the tokens they seemed like a really good idea but we sold very few at \$5 and when we reduced the price to \$3 with a ride ticket—in other words a second ride for free—that didn't go over either. My solution to disposing of the tokens was started last year: we give them away free to the kids who ride for nothing anyway. That works. This year in July we had one person who asked for (and got) his free ride with a token, the only such request I know of in the 8 or so years we have had them."

These will be listed as ME 1000 E, and we're trying to get a few for those members who would like one. Stay tuned.

Last spring, thanks to Larry Dziubek, I acquired a splendid book on streetcars in the McKeesport, PA, vicinity: McKeesport Trolleys by Ronald L. Beal. This 216-page profusely illustrated book tells everything about its subject, including for instance the history of the Duquesne & Dravosburg St. Ry., with a big picture of its token, PA 305 B. Curious though: it describes fare tokens that were "bronze discs about the size & shape of a cent inscribed "McKeesport Passenger Railway" on one side and "One Fare" on the other. My guess is that he has it confused with the carmine celluloid PA 605 A, which I own. But who knows?

NEW CAROUSEL TOKEN FROM SEASIDE HEIGHTS, NJ

This summer I acquired a previously unknown carousel token, which is described thus:

CASINO PIER/1910 MERRY-GO-ROUND/(CAROUSEL HORSE)
B 28 Sd Seaside Heights/New Jersey/Admit One/hm

Louis Crawford found considerable information about the operation on the internet. The carousel itself, called "The Dr. Floyd Moreland Carousel," dates from 1910, but some of its animals were carved as far back as 1890. It has 58 animals, of which 36 move up and down. They were carved by William Dentzel of Philadelphia, and Charles Loeff of Coney Island. Music is provided by "the only continuously operating Wurlitzer Military Band Organ in the State of New Jersey" which has 105 wooden pipes and 51 keys. The carousel has 2,016 light bulbs, 18 paintings and "elaborate neo-classical castings on the outer rim." Initially located at Burlington Island Beach Park in Burlington, NJ, it was purchased in 1928 after being damaged in a fire, and erected on its current site in 1932. The carousel is named for Prof. Floyd L. Moreland, Professor of Classics and Dean at the Graduate School and University Center of the City University of New York, who managed the carousel and does restoration work.

I believe the token's value is \$1.00, and we're working on getting a supply for the New Issues Service. Old carousels are fascinating bits of history and their tokens give us a special connection to, and affection for them.

This summer Bill Sowell found a woodnick which, assuming it came from the source, is definitely listable. It is 38mm, inscribed "GOOD FOR ONE BUS RIDE / BEST / FRIEND / EXPRESS / AIKEN, S.C." on obverse, and "WOODEN NICKEL" on reverse with picture of a buffalo. We're investigating.

Some 20 years ago Boulder, CO, took some CO 60 A tokens, brass-plated them, and inserted them in special frames encouraging people to use BOULDER BUS to save the environment. So if you find a CO 60 A that looks brass, you will know why.

!!!WANTED!!!

THE FOLLOWING HORSECAR TOKENS FOR MY COLLECTION:

I NEED, and will pay *TOP DOLLAR* for:

- Winchester City RY Co. KY #970-Z
- C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE "Real Estate" #540-H;

ROBERT RHUE
P. O. BOX 371437
DENVER, CO 80237
303/671-0650



A.V.A. ANNUAL CONVENTION AT COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING

The 50th Annual business meeting of the American Vecturist Association was called to order by President John Hoffmann at 9:08 a.m. in the Hayden Room of the Coeur d'Alene Inn, on Sunday, August 13, 2000. Attendees were: Hoffman, Sowell, Reznick, Haney, Coffee, Garrison, Axthelm, Bawden, Bolz, Ralph Brown, Coleman, Cox, Fairfield, Hurford, M. Jones, R. Kelley, Rieder, Spencer, and Zimmerman. The assembled observed a minute of silence in remembrance of the 22 deceased AVA members of the past year. Reznick then spoke a few words about Robert Ritterband, his life and many contributions to the A.V.A. Haney then moved to table reading of last year's minutes as they are available in the August 1999 issue of The Fare Box. Hurford seconded, unanimous passage. Reznick gave the Treasurer's report. Hoffman moved to accept the report as read, Haney seconded, unanimous pass. Hoffmann appointed Kelley, Fairfield and Bawden to the Audit Committee. Reznick then gave a brief Secretary's report in absence of Secretary Louis Crawford. Current membership stands at 683 members, with one new Life Member (Sowell). Seventy-three members failed to renew memberships; there are 64 new members. A discussion of ways to gain new members ensued, including remarks by Hoffmann on how to encourage new members to participate. Reznick remarked on and encouraged members to bring spouses to the convention business meetings to give them a better feel for the activities of AVA. Jones then gave a report on the new Membership Roster Form for updating information for the AVA Roster. The new roster will combine the current member and communications roster into one.

Haney then gave the Curator's report and informed members on the content of the archives, which include: nearly all copies of The Fare Box, the Personal Token Collection, and other historical material. He then requested members to submit more material of a historic nature including personal tokens. A source of making new personal tokens was requested. Reznick is now the contact source. A minimum order is 500 and the cost is still "quite inexpensive." Coffee then gave a short history of the design, history and making of personal tokens, followed by The Fare Box report. Included was the fact that 500 copies of the Car Wash Token catalogue had been printed, of which 250 remain unsold, with 33 supplements having appeared. It was decided to use the Life Member Fund to publish a new car wash token catalogue. Coffee suggested that members donate their older catalogues to their public libraries to heighten interest in collecting.

Coffee went on to review The Fare Box Literary Award, which this year was presented to Bill Garrison for his article on Michigan transit tokens. Another special award will be presented to Joel Reznick for his efforts on behalf of the membership by conducting our annual conventions. NOTE: Special silver tour tokens are struck each year and used for the Literary and Special Awards. Hoffmann then commented on the Parking token catalogue and the possibility of a new one. But with parking token supplements being minor it was decided to defer publication of a new catalogue.

Old business: Hoffman reported on the status of the AVA Display Boards, which are complete and ready for use. Tentative use at Gaithersburg and Dayton shows and conventions is planned in AVA members are available to man the displays. Plans to use the display at the NATCA convention are underway. Bolz will contact the show director on his return home. Jones suggested a copy of each catalogue be included in the display. Coffee will furnish a set to accompany the display. Bolz then gave a brief report on his AVA display at the Omaha, NE, train show. He has been invited to return next year. It is requested that members scout out large shows in their areas that would be suitable for the display and contact President John Hoffmann.

New business: Cox suggested having a list of attendees' names included in the convention program. Reznick will provide a separate sheet with names for each convention and encouraged both members and their wives to wear convention badges to aid all convention attendees with names.

Dues envelopes will now go out with the September or October issue of The Fare Box to encourage the membership to pay their dues by the first of the year, when they are actually due.

Hurford brought a new copy of the Parking Token catalogue with a dedication sheet attached inside the cover for presentation to the Coeur d'Alene Library.

The Ten-Year Membership Medals presented in the past will, it is to be hoped, be reinstated and a 25-year medal added. Reznick requests members to consider designs and submit them to him. Haney will assume the task of engraving the medals if the supply and engraving equipment can be located.

The AVA website efforts were revisited. They seem to have stalled, but Jones will contact the committee members and get the ball rolling again.

The 51st Annual AVA Convention is tentatively set for Kansas City, MO.

Honorarium for the year: Joel Reznick for his efforts on the convention.

Jones moved for adjournment at 11:03 am, seconded by Haney. Adjourned.

- William A. Sowell, Vice-President, Acting Secretary

Each year at the Convention business meeting we have voted special recognition to certain members who do an especially lot of work for the AVA. At my suggestion we did not do so this year, because it was becoming redundant, naming the same people year. Of course we are forever grateful to our officers and cataloguers, and especially to Joel Reznick for his great labor preparing the conventions, as well as all the other labors he performs for AVA. Suffice it to say that all of us in the AVA have done so much to make our society the friendly, helpful, educational organization it has become. So from me, especially, thanks to all of you who are reading this!

- J.M.C.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2000

THE 2000 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING OF THE AMERICAN VECTURIST ASSOCIATION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 2:24 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE COEUR D'ALENE INN, COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO. ATTENDING WERE: PRESIDENT JOHN HOFFMANN, VP BILL SOWELL, TREASURER JOEL REZNICK, FARE BOX EDITOR JOHN COFFEE, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT BILL GARRISON, CURATOR KEITH HANEY, AND BY SPECIAL INVITATION, MEMBER MIKE JONES. ABSENT WAS LOUIS CRAWFORD, SECRETARY.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING WAS DISCUSSED.

THE COMPILATION BY MIKE JONES, AND THE PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION YET THIS YEAR BY LOUIS CRAWFORD, OF A NEW 2000 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER MERGED TO THE COMMUNICATIONS ROSTER WAS DISCUSSED WITH MIKE JONES, WHO HAS AGREED TO PUT IT TOGETHER. AN IMMEDIATE REQUEST FOR UPDATED PERSONAL ADDRESS CHANGES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, AND E-MAIL ADDRESSES IS TO BE PUT IN THE NEXT FARE BOX. JOEL REZNICK IS TO PROVIDE ALL CURRENT MEMBERSHIP DATA FROM THE TREASURER'S FILES TO MIKE JONES.

CATALOGS IN GENERAL WERE DISCUSSED. MIKE JONES IS WAREHOUSING UNSOLD CATALOGS FOR THE AVA. CAR WASH DATA IS ON BOB NOLAN'S COMPUTER IN PITTSBURGH, SO PRINT READY COPY WILL REQUIRE LITTLE ADDITIONAL EDITOR EFFORT. HAL FORD TO GET ALL OUTSTANDING CAR WASH TOKENS LISTED. JOHN COFFEE TO INVESTIGATE THE PRINTING OF A NEW HARBACK CAR WASH TOKENS CATALOG, THE COST OF DOING A 250 COPY RUN TO BE UNDERWRITTEN BY THE LIFE MEMBER FUND ACCOUNT AND REIMBURSED AS SALES OCCUR. ROGER BOLZ TO CATCH UP WITH HIS SUPPLEMENTS. JOE PERNICANO TO ISSUE A NEW PARKING TOKENS SUPPLEMENT? AGAIN, NEW TOKENS ARE BEING FOUND FASTER THAN THEY CAN BE LISTED AND PUBLISHED.

CAN WE ADDEND PRICE CHANGES IN ANY NEW SUPPLEMENTS?

WE ADDED ONE NEW LIFE MEMBER, BILL SOWELL. THE PRICES FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP ARE: AGES <50, 20x DUES, AGES 50-59, 18x, AGES 60-64, 15x, AGES 65 AND OVER, 12x.

AVA TO GET WITH BARBARA HEMPHILL AND LOCATE AND OBTAIN THE MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT JIM USED TO PRODUCE THE ENGRAVED 10-YEAR MEMBERSHIP MEDALS. HANEY VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE OVER AND PRODUCE IF WE CAN OBTAIN THE MATERIALS.

OUR CONTINUING MEMBERSHIP LOSSES MUST BE OFFSET WITH NEW MEMBERS. OUR BEST OPPORTUNITY IS TO DISPLAY WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE COLLECT WITH TABLES AT MAJOR SHOWS. JOHN HOFFMANN HAS THE SHOW DISPLAY BOARD, LIGHT BAR, AND SHIPPING CASES IN CHATTANOOGA, PLUS SEVERAL DISPLAYS OF TOKENS AND RELATED ITEMS FOR MANNING MAJOR SHOWS. NEED TO SET UP A UPS ACCOUNT NUMBER AND AUTOMATIC BILLING TO ALLOW SHIPPING THE DISPLAY AS REQUIRED. THE DISPLAY WAS NOT USED AT THE STAMFORD, CT, NHRS SHOW BECAUSE ONLY ONE AVA MEMBER COULD MAKE IT. ROGER BOLZ ATTENDED AN OMAHA SHOW WITH ONLY PERSONAL DISPLAY MATERIALS AND PASSED OUT APPROXIMATELY 10 APPLICATIONS. THE BIG NATCA SHOW IN ST. LOUIS OVER LABOR DAY TO BE ATTENDED BY BOLZ AND REZNICK (AS DEALERS), WHO ELSE CAN HELP? SHIP THE DISPLAY TO BOLZ FOR THE SHOW. NEXT YEAR A BIG NHRS SHOW AT ST. LOUIS WILL REQUIRE QUITE A FEW AVA MEMBERS TO ATTEND AND MAN THE DISPLAY. BOB REIDER PROVIDED A LIST OF SHOWS BUT NO NAMES TO HELP MAN TABLES. SOWELL AND HOFFMANN TO MAKE CONTACTS FOR BIG APTA CONVENTION NEXT YEAR. THERE IS A BIG TRAIN SHOW AT GAITHERSBURG, MD, IN OCTOBER. ED AXTHELM PLUS LOCAL MEMBERS TO SET UP A TABLE. \$32 FEE FOR GAITHERSBURG TABLE APPROVED. ELI BAIL SUGGESTS COVERAGE AT THE PARRIS, CA. MEET.

FRANK SHERKOW TO BE ASKED TO PRODUCE ANOTHER 250 APPLICATIONS WITH LATEST REVISIONS.

CAN NUMISMATIC NEWS PRINT A CONTINUING AVA AD? CAN CHARLES KIRTLEY PUT IN A PAGE IN HIS AUCTION CATALOGS? CAN MISCHLER PRINT AN ONGOING AD AND BILL US?

MIKE JONES TO GET THE ROSTER OUT, NO BUDGET LIMIT, COSTS WILL BE COVERED. THE (LATE SEPT) MAILING OF THE AUGUST/SEPTEMBER FARE BOX IS TO INCLUDE THE DUES ENVELOPES. MUST HAVE ALL THE DUES IN BEFORE YEAREND, CANNOT KEEP THEM TRICKLING IN OVER SIX MONTHS. SENT OUT TOO MANY FARE BOXES TO NON-RENEWALS BEFORE CUTTING OUR LOSSES.

NEXT YEAR'S CONVENTION TO BE AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. OUR ATTEMPTS TO MOVE TO DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COUNTRY TO HELP ATTRACT LOCAL AND REGIONAL MEMBERS DOESN'T SEEM TO MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE IN ATTENDANCE. THOSE WHO COME ARE GOING TO COME REGARDLESS OF WHERE THE CONVENTION IS HELD.

ADJOURNED AT 3:50 PM

KEITH HANEY, ACTING SECRETARY

LIST OF THOSE PRESENT AT THE AVA CONVENTION IN COEUR D'ALENE

Charles Axthelm, Ed & Mary Bawden, Roger Bolz, Douglas Borden, Ralph & Donna Brown, John Coffee, Bill & Diane Coleman and Holly & Michael Coleman, David & Judy Cox, Walt & Benadean Fairfield, Bill & Barbara Garrison, Keith & Sandy Haney, John M. Hoffmann, Gene Hurford, Mike & Marcy Jones, Bob & Lynne Kelley, Joel & Ricki Reznick, Bob Rieder, Steve & Sharon Rosenberg and Susan Butterfield, Don & Pat Rosenfeld, Bill & Jenine Sowell, Bob Spencer, Harold & Lois Zimmerman.

Subway and trolley fare in Boston (Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority) has been raised from 85¢ to \$1. So in your catalogue you should increase the value of MA 115 L, AM, AN, AO to \$1, as all four are still valid for rides, although the 115 AM and AO are rarely if ever encountered anymore.

Arnold Korotkin writes that if any member would like to add one of the New York Metro Cards to your collection he will be happy to send you one for a SASE. Write him at 42 Melrose Place - Montclair, NJ 07042-2028.

2000 AVA Convention Auction PRICES REALIZED

LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE
1	15.00	54	14.25	107	NB	160	1.70	213	30.00	266	37.50	319	6.25
2	69.00	55	4.00	108	3.00	161	4.00	214	30.00	267	3.50	320	3.00
3	63.50	56	1.25	109	3.00	162	36.00	215	12.00	268	NB	321	3.00
4	63.50	57	5.25	110	3.00	163	2.10	216	22.00	269	2.00	322	4.00
5	77.00	58	1.00	111	2.75	164	6.10	217	10.00	270	NB	323	12.00
6	4.00	59	1.00	112	NB	165	3.00	218	NB	271	3.50	324	4.00
7	56.00	60	4.25	113	3.00	166	230.00	219	NB	272	5.00	325	10.00
8	10.50	61	3.00	114	3.00	167	200.00	220	99.00	273	3.00	326	19.00
9	10.00	62	3.00	115	22.00	168	82.50	221	75.00	274	3.00	327	2.00
10	7.50	63	4.50	116	5.00	169	3.00	222	107.50	275	5.25	328	27.00
11	5.50	64	8.75	117	3.00	170	6.35	223	9.50	276	NB	329	15.00
12	8.00	65	5.00	118	1.50	171	3.00	224	115.00	277	18.00	330	3.00
13	13.00	66	11.00	119	7.75	172	11.00	225	NB	278	39.00	331	3.00
14	7.55	67	12.25	120	15.50	173	20.00	226	NB	279	5.80	332	9.35
15	6.10	68	6.55	121	14.00	174	11.50	227	56.00	280	4.00	333	5.25
16	5.25	69	35.00	122	NB	175	3.50	228	3.50	281	6.00	334	5.00
17	28.00	70	3.00	123	NB	176	3.50	229	6.50	282	NB	335	180.00
18	12.75	71	7.75	124	44.00	177	110.00	230	5.60	283	3.00	336	NB
19	7.50	72	4.00	125	38.50	178	7.00	231	NB	284	3.50	337	11.00
20	9.50	73	5.50	126	91.00	179	3.00	232	102.00	285	3.00	338	4.50
21	3.50	74	8.25	127	190.00	180	14.00	233	18.50	286	9.00	339	3.00
22	80.00	75	3.00	128	66.00	181	6.00	234	12.00	287	5.00	340	12.00
23	3.60	76	17.00	129	62.00	182	5.00	235	18.50	288	12.00	341	15.50
24	12.00	77	4.25	130	97.00	183	2.50	236	NB	289	3.25	342	6.50
25	3.00	78	30.00	131	24.00	184	10.50	237	5.00	290	16.50	343	17.00
26	35.00	79	6.80	132	42.00	185	5.00	238	2.50	291	9.25	344	NB
27	31.00	80	NB	133	43.00	186	NB	239	4.50	292	7.50	345	3.50
28	61.00	81	8.50	134	5.00	187	NB	240	3.00	293	4.50	346	7.00
29	8.25	82	8.30	135	5.75	188	11.00	241	13.00	294	4.50	347	15.00
30	5.75	83	1.50	136	92.00	189	11.00	242	12.00	295	4.25	348	NB
31	5.75	84	9.00	137	1.60	190	3.75	243	27.00	296	7.75	349	4.50
32	5.75	85	3.00	138	13.00	191	2.00	244	4.75	297	5.00	350	20.00
33	12.00	86	1.50	139	8.00	192	38.00	245	3.00	298	3.95	351	25.56
34	8.60	87	9.50	140	3.00	193	4.75	246	12.00	299	5.20	352	14.00
35	3.50	88	5.60	141	8.00	194	15.00	247	3.50	300	3.00	353	19.00
36	3.50	89	3.00	142	3.85	195	144.00	248	NB	301	6.00	354	6.00
37	21.00	90	6.00	143	2.75	196	9.00	249	5.50	302	3.50	355	NB
38	4.50	91	NB	144	3.00	197	4.01	250	3.25	303	3.00	356	NB
39	4.00	92	3.00	145	3.00	198	5.00	251	165.00	304	7.50	357	6.00
40	18.00	93	2.50	146	3.00	199	22.00	252	91.00	305	4.25	358	330.00
41	8.60	94	5.00	147	3.30	200	25.50	253	87.00	306	5.11	359	3.80
42	9.10	95	3.00	148	17.00	201	3.75	254	33.00	307	15.30	360	6.65
43	7.25	96	4.00	149	19.75	202	10.00	255	3.00	308	4.40	361	3.00
44	5.00	97	9.00	150	27.00	203	NB	256	9.25	309	12.75	362	17.50
45	9.00	98	5.10	151	136.35	204	7.00	257	74.00	310	30.00	363	4.75
46	3.20	99	18.75	152	28.00	205	9.35	258	82.00	311	80.85	364	3.00
47	190.00	100	7.00	153	NB	206	17.00	259	18.00	312	33.50	365	3.00
48	10.00	101	7.50	154	2.25	207	7.20	260	15.00	313	6.50	366	2.50
49	3.50	102	NB	155	7.00	208	62.00	261	28.00	314	5.50	367	2.50
50	36.00	103	2.50	156	3.50	209	12.00	262	5.00	315	5.00	368	7.00
51	9.50	104	14.00	157	1.60	210	10.25	263	NB	316	26.00	369	7.50
52	3.00	105	38.00	158	5.00	211	7.50	264	3.50	317	3.00	370	57.50
53	9.00	106	5.25	159	2.50	212	38.00	265	3.00	318	6.25	371	4.00

[list continued on next page; see pages 54-56 of the May Fare Box for list of tokens]

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LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE
372	5.00	399	10.00	426	56.12	453	14.00	480	NB	507	33.00	534	4.00
373	3.00	400	78.00	427	72.50	454	4.00	481	13.00	508	4.00	535	1.00
374	8.00	401	2.00	428	37.00	455	38.00	482	7.25	509	6.00	536	1.20
375	2.25	402	57.00	429	3.00	456	3.50	483	3.00	510	31.00	537	NB
376	4.75	403	4.00	430	23.00	457	127.00	484	NB	511	1.00	538	5.00
377	NB	404	3.00	431	20.00	458	155.50	485	8.75	512	1.20	539	4.25
378	2.75	405	13.25	432	27.00	459	211.75	486	4.50	513	1.00	540	NB
379	2.75	406	8.00	433	23.00	460	15.00	487	8.25	514	1.40	541	8.75
380	NB	407	33.00	434	4.00	461	20.00	488	4.00	515	3.00	542	15.00
381	5.10	408	7.50	435	17.20	462	31.00	489	2.00	516	3.00	543	3.50
382	4.00	409	9.00	436	9.25	463	35.00	490	NB	517	3.00	544	44.50
383	17.60	410	2.90	437	1.60	464	8.25	491	3.75	518	3.00	545	90.00
384	5.00	411	19.50	438	44.00	465	3.00	492	18.50	519	3.00	546	19.00
385	NB	412	7.50	439	5.50	466	3.00	493	18.00	520	3.00	547	5.00
386	5.60	413	13.00	440	6.00	467	NB	494	44.00	521	3.00	548	180.00
387	52.00	414	16.60	441	12.00	468	3.00	495	16.50	522	NB	549	NB
388	38.00	415	16.00	442	61.00	469	4.25	496	35.50	523	NB	550	35.50
389	NB	416	195.00	443	NB	470	22.00	497	38.00	524	NB	551	3.00
390	NB	417	13.00	444	11.75	471	3.00	498	15.00	525	NB	552	5.20
391	20.00	418	3.00	445	47.00	472	NB	499	19.05	526	2.75	553	5.00
392	NB	419	30.00	446	3.40	473	5.00	500	190.00	527	1.00	554	3.75
393	3.25	420	11.00	447	4.00	474	3.00	501	3.47	528	1.40	555	3.75
394	89.00	421	3.00	448	6.75	475	33.00	502	6.00	529	1.00	556	9.55
395	3.00	422	NB	449	80.00	476	6.00	503	4.00	530	1.60	557	5.50
396	NB	423	735.00	450	32.00	477	14.50	504	4.00	531	1.60	558	170.00
397	8.25	424	100.00	451	72.00	478	NB	505	37.00	532	1.00		
398	165.00	425	100.00	452	7.00	479	4.00	506	10.15	533	2.50		

CURATOR'S REPORT

Thanks to all who submitted tokens and mail bids. There were 22 submitters who sent in 558 tokens, with a catalog value of \$3900. 55 members sent in mail bids and got 252 tokens, and the 19 floor bidders at the Auction got 256. 50 tokens were passed when someone could have gotten them for Catalog Value. The total bids were \$11,502.62. The Auction was computerized this year, so we were able to have all the tokens to the Auction bidders within an hour. Thanks to my wife for her entry help, Bill and Jeanine Sowell for the use of the computer and pulling the tokens, and of course Joel for calling the auction again.

The Curator has gotten a chance to go through many more Personal Tokens that have shown up, and they have been added to the newly re-issued Personal Tokens Catalog 2000. It has many of the (in)famous Canadian medals, and many more recent member additions. It is available on floppy in Word and Excel now for \$7.50 postpaid, and orders will be accepted for printed copies at \$10.95 postpaid. Order directly from the Curator.

Special thanks go to Ralph Brown for coming up with the new Philadelphia horsecar, and also getting a donation of the two PT's from Elmer Hamano to the AVA by Mr. Wah Kui Young of the Honolulu Coin Club.

Mike Jones showed up with a big white beard, and took many pictures of Convention activities. His prints for the Archives were here in 10 days! Made me think of Santa on summer vacation, sporting shorts and a big grin. I certainly appreciate his additions to our records. Thanks, Mike!

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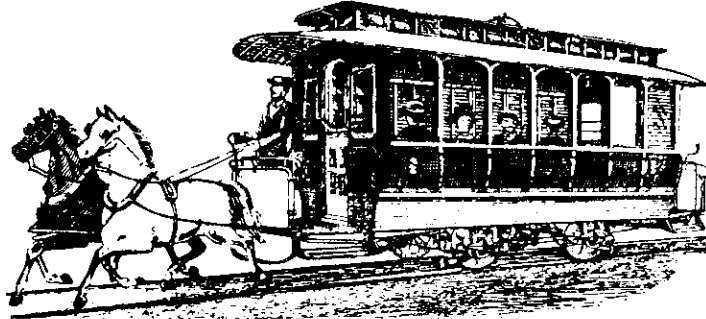
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September 23. Another great summer is concluding, during which I learned about lots of new tokens and saw lots of collectors. After publishing the July Fare Box in California, Hal Ford and I headed over to San Francisco and rode the new F Line trolleys, which operate from 17th & Castro to the Ferry Bldg., Pier 39, out by Fisherman's Wharf. The singular thing about the line is that they use old street cars which have been lovingly restored. They are from all over the world, and are painted in the colors they sported in their original cities. From Boston a PCC car in the livery of the old Boston Elevated Railway, for instance. If you go to San Francisco be sure to ride this line. They have cars from Los Angeles, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Kansas City, Cincinnati, Chicago, Boston, Newark, Louisville, and Baltimore. Fare is \$1.00 and they are still using CA 760 F and have just placed an order for another million of them from Hoffman Mint.

Hal and I also drove up to Rio Vista and rode an ancient interurban car on the 8-mile line of the Western Railway Museum. It was for this operation that CA 998 I J K were made (but not used) by the late E.L. Tomberlin. We also attended a coin show in Concord where we were greeted by AVA member Steve Turini. At the show we found a brass 1999-dated Anchorage, AK, trolley token similar to the series of WM and brass tokens we have mentioned before. This makes 2 different brass ones dated 1999. We believe the brass ones are more in the nature of presentation pieces, whereas the WM ones were actually used. Incidentally they are not really WM, but rather nickel-plated.

I left Moraga on August 9, heading north to Idaho for the AVA Convention at Coeur d'Alene. Stopped at Klamath Falls where the very friendly people at Basin Transit gave me one each of what they are now using, and indicated they will be ordering new tokens later this year. Spent the night in Bend, OR, a once delightful little city which is now overcrowded and a traffic nightmare. Thence northward to the Columbia River, along I-84 where a huge forest fire was burning within 300 feet of the highway. The highway was closed an hour after I went by. Arriving at Coeur d'Alene around 5 pm, I found a number of AVA members already present at the beautiful convention headquarters hotel.

The Coeur d'Alene convention was absolutely one of the best I've attended. Coeur d'Alene is really a suburb of Spokane now, and very crowded with lots of traffic. It is also one of the most beautiful spots in America, and Lake Coeur d'Alene is considered one of the world's ten most beautiful lakes.



Friday evening, August 11, we were all taken by bus for a wonderful boat ride around Coeur d'Alene Lake, then returned to the hotel for our annual banquet that night. It was the best banquet of all that I've attended, served buffet style and you could have as much as you wanted of everything.

Saturday morning was the Convention Auction, at which some record prices were realized. Top price was for the newly discovered 6th St. Line omnibus token of Philadelphia, which went for \$735. That afternoon we formed a motorcade and drove 18 miles north to the little town of Athol, ID, where we entered the huge Silverwoods Park and rode its delightful steam train, for which ride the pure silver tour token was made. After the train ride we were free to ride on anything else in the park, which is a smaller version of Disneyland. I rode the carousel, but more courageous types like Joel rode the roller coaster. Admission to the park is something like \$25 but that was included in our convention registration. I returned to Coeur d'Alene with Ed Bawden and Ed Axthelm, and the three of us had dinner at the Perkins Restaurant, after which we found some wonderful local loganberry and huckleberry jam at a local supermarket to take home with us. Others remained at Silverwoods till dark to see the fireworks.

Sunday morning was the business meeting which--as all our business meetings are--was friendly and brief. Then a complimentary brunch, for which I did not stay because I had to cover 400 miles that afternoon to make my reservation at Livingston, MT. But 20 miles east of Missoula they closed I-90 because a forest fire had jumped across the highway and I had to double back to Missoula, and find a roundabout way to get to Livingston and avoid the fires. All around the highway helicopters were dropping fire retardant on the fires which seemed to be everywhere. The sky was overcast with thick smoke all over western Montana. By going north to Helena I finally found my way to Livingston, and east of there there were no more fires. Next night I stayed at Dickinson, ND, a wonderful clean inexpensive little city. Then to McGregor, MN; then Sault Ste. Marie, MI, where it was only 53° in the afternoon. Thursday night found me at Cornwall, Ontario, and Friday I was home in Boston. It was a perfect trip and the Lincoln runs like a dream. Still and all, driving alone across the continent is a lot of work.

At the convention I acquired from Ralph Brown a fascinating token which is just like NC 980 J, except that where J has "AUTH." on obverse, this one has "ASSN." And this one is the same on both sides. It could be an error, or a different issue for a different bus system, or indeed maybe not even for transit since it does not say it is good for a fare. Anyway I like it and some day maybe I'll learn what it is. At Coeur d'Alene of course some of us visited the local transit where they are using three generic, and hence unlistable, tokens. The tokens are 25mm aluminum, with (eagle & stars) on obverse, and NO/CASH/VALUE on reverse. They come anodized blue, gold, and red. As such generics could be used for anything, we don't list them. The lady at the transit was wonderful and gave us the 3 at no charge, although when she gave me the three she said "you're the last one. From now on they have to pay." The face value of the set is \$8.00. From Forrest Stevens I was given an oddball: a generic token with a heart on one side and concentric circles on the other and no wording, but it was overstruck on NH 720 C, the New Hampshire Turnpike token which is still in use (at 25¢).

On page 15 of the February issue we describe a token found by Hal Ford for the Brazos Transit District. Later he found a second, smaller, one just like it. Louis Crawford traced Brazos Transit down to Bryan, TX, and wrote asking about the two items. They replied: "The tokens we had minted were limited editions. These tokens were not used in revenue service and are not for distribution to the general public. Brazos Transit does not use any tokens for revenue service." They returned his money and did not send any tokens. I'd still like to know just what the tokens were used for, although apparently they were not good for rides so are not TT's.

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-24 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

NEW JERSEY (Reported by K Gabsch)
RAHWAY-3770 (logo)

RAHWAY / PARKING AUTHORITY / RAHWAY, NJ

A B 22 Sd Parking / Token (auto) 4.00

NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE-3160

THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA / MAY20, 1775 /
APRIL 12, 1776 / ESSE QUAM VIDERI (scene)

V B 21 Sd Parking Services / Founded 1946 / UNC Charlotte 1.00

WISCONSIN
MADISON-3410

UNIVERSITY / OF / HH / WISCONSIN (two diamonds)

L B 23 Sd Valid At / Health / Center / Meters Only .75

= ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS =

CO-3280-A: correct to read (8mm steel center)

PTMS-3080-Y: R: add RWM

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

Our hard working PATNIS manager Karl Gabsch went seeking an already listed item for NEW ISSUE distribution and uncovered the RAHWAY token. Parking in many areas is getting to be a premium. The cost to Karl is \$4.00 for this token. In trying to maintain accurate up to date catalogue prices, I usually list at the cost at the source. Keep in mind that Karl in many instances will accrue additional costs such as driving, phone calls, parking, the source will neither acknowledge or return his money etc. The final cost to you will reflect these added costs over the catalogue value. Please try to keep your balances up to cover these more expensive tokens.

A reorder of tokens for the University of Wisconsin.

JOHNS HOPKINS ONCOLOGY CENTER in Baltimore has tokens for meter parking on JEFFERSON STREET. No info available.

INSOLSA of GARY, INDIANA is using tokens. Again no info.

ARIZONA STATE U West Campus is using non-PTs.

LOYOLA U of Chicago is using PTMS-3080-Gc.

NORTHERN WESTCHESTER HOSPITAL in Mount Kisco, NY is using PTMS-3081-Bb.

The Dept of ADM in PROVIDENCE, RI is setting aside a lot for the handicapped using PTMS-3090-Ac.

The UPMC HEALTH SYSTEMS in Pittsburgh, PA is using PTMS-3070-C.

The TOWER CLUB DALLAS in Dallas TX is using PTMS-3080-X.

Ed Bawden reports another interesting item.

C T R / SYSTEMS ® (crescent moon)

B 23 Sd (blank)

Anyone recognize this logo?

The W I DYKES LIBRARY at the U of Houston is using tokens. No info available.

The Northern Virginia Community College Cultural Center is using non-PT's.

The Tacoma Public Library in Tacoma, WA is using blank celluloid tokens. First of this type I have ever seen!

The Clark Reporting Service in St Pete's FL is using paper coupon parking tickets.

The NORTHBAY GENERAL Hospital in Northbay, Ont. is using CANAPTMS-3055-F.

When you order the FIFTH EDITION direct from me at \$42 postpaid, I'll also send a copy of the UP-DATE of all new tokens listed since its publication.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

SEPTEMBER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE

By Harold V. Ford

CALIFORNIA

Palmdale 618 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
 FUNLAND/USA/ONE RIDE TOKEN/NO REFUNDS/RWM
 A B 29 Sd One Ride Token/No Refunds/Lil' Indy Raceway/or/
 Bumper Boat \$4.50

COLORADO

Fort Collins 340 (Reported by Gene Hurford)
 THE FARM/CITY OF FORT COLLINS PARKS & RECREATION/
 1/PONY RIDE
 R Wg 38 Sd The/Farm/(barn and silo) 3.00

CONNECTICUT

East Haven 130 (Reported by Steven Kellner)
 BRANFORD ELECTRIC RAILWAY/RWM/(STREETCAR)
 A B 20 Sd Operating Since July 31, 1900/B/Good For/
 One Fare/RWM/(7,000 struck)(* 2000) 5.00
 B B 20 Sd " (WM-plated)(4,000 struck)(* 2000) 3.00

FLORIDA

Orlando 630 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
 ORLANDO FASHION SQUARE/TRAIN RIDES/RWM/
 (CARTOON LOCOMOTIVE)
 D B 25 Sd No/Cash/Value/RWM 1.00

IDAHO

Athol 65 (Reported by New Issues Service)
 AMERICAN VECTURIST/ASSOCIATION/50th ANNUAL
 CONVENTION/COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO/SILVER
 (LOCOMOTIVE) WOOD/ATHOL IDAHO (on LOCOMOTIVE)
 AUGUST 11-13, 2000/GOOD FOR ONE/ROUND TRIP FARE
 A o Sv 39 Sd (AVA seal)(325 struck, the first 100 numbered on edge) 15.00

MINNESOTA

Pipestone 660 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
 PIPESTONE/TRANSIT/SYSTEM/825-3113
 D Pw 42 Sd (blank)(black printing on obverse) 1.25
 E Pw 41 Sd (same as obverse)(black printing) 1.25

MONTANA

Missoula 660 (Reported by Bill Garrison)
 A CAROUSEL FOR MISSOULA/RIDE TOKEN/(CAROUSEL HORSE)
 L B 25 Sd Bud/2000/HM (carousel horse)(* 2000) .50
 M B 25 Sd Evansgone/2000/HM (carousel horse)(* 2000) .50
 N B 25 Sd Marguerite/2000/HM (carousel horse)(* 2000) .50

RHODE ISLAND

Newport Bridge 521 (Reported by Hector Turgeon & Bob Greenwood)
 RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY/
 (YANKEE CLIPPER SHIP)
 H B 28 Sd Claiborne Pell Bridge/Claiborne Pell Bridge/2000/RWM
 (small hub)(all incuse on both sides)(* 2000) 1.00

SOUTH CAROLINA

Florence 430 (Reported by Anthony Vanier)

				PEE DEE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/ FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA/50¢/CENTS	
E	A	34	Sd	Non Negotiable/Non Redeemable For Cash/ Bus/Token	\$0.50
				PEE DEE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/ FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA/\$1 ⁰⁰ /DOLLAR	
F	A	34	Sd	Non Negotiable/Non Redeemable For Cash/ Bus/Token (anodized red)	1.00
				PEE DEE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/ FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA/\$2 ⁰⁰ /DOLLARS	
G	A	34	Sd	Non Negotiable/Non Redeemable For Cash/ Bus/Token (anodized blue)	2.00

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga 120 (Reported by John M. Hoffmann)

				CHATTANOOGA/TENNESSEE/TENNESSEE/RIVERPARK/ RIVERPARK/ _{RWM} /(MAP OF CHATTANOOGA)	
J	B	23	Sd	One/Ride/Coolidge Park/Carousel/(horse)(* 2000)	.50

UTAH

Salt Lake City 750 (Reported by Bill Garrison)

				UTAH TRANSIT/AUTHORITY/(LOGO)	
V	B	23	Sd	Good For One Fare/(bus & streetcar)(* 2000)	1.00

WISCONSIN

Janesville 300 (Reported by Bill Garrison)

				CITY OF JANESVILLE/WISCONSIN'S PARK PLACE/ _{RWM} /(TREE)	
E	B	23	Sd	Janesville Transit System/ <u>One</u> /Special Fare/JTS (logo) (WM-plated)	1.00

WYOMING

Cheyenne 120 (Reported by Bill Garrison)

				CTP/(ARROW)	
Q	Pg	29	Sd	(blank)(obverse inscription is black)	1.00

CANADA - ONTARIO

Fergus 290 (Reported by Donald M. Stewart)

				J.N. DAVISON/UNION BUS/FERGUS	
A o A	28	Sd		Return/Trip/35¢	75.00

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

The FUNLAND USA token of Palmdale, CA, has a \$4.50 value, sold at 3 for \$12.00. This amusement park is situated at 525 West Ave. P-4, zip 93551. The New Issues Service won't be handling this one.

We listed the two woodniks issued by the City of Fort Collins, CO, in January of this year, for pony rides at "The Farm." Gene Hurford now reports a new issue with a higher value. The N.I.S. will not handle this one as many of its members don't want wooden issues with higher values.

Recently the Branford Trolley Museum in East Haven, CT, issued adult and child fare tokens to commemorate the 100th anniversary of trolley service on the line they use, which originally belonged to the former Connecticut Company. They are giving our N.I.S. a break on these re the cost, so NIS members will get them. The CT 30 A token (listed under Branford) was used at the same facility, but apparently East Haven is the correct city. Future catalogues will relist 30 A to East Haven.

The Orlando, FL, listing will not be handled by the N.I.S. Carl Bangora, 9308 Carolview Way - Orlando, FL 32836-6305, has offered to obtain specimens at the course for cost +SASE. Perhaps add a little extra for his time and gasoline and trouble. This token is used on a kiddie train ride to the Orlando Fashion Square Mall. Tokens are sold in a change machine onsite.

The N.I.S. will handle the beautiful .999 pure silver token (contains one full ounce of silver) issued for our Coeur d'Alene AVA convention this past August. The train ride was at an amusement park some 18 miles north of Coeur d'Alene, at the town of Athol, Idaho. It was struck by Masterpiece Medallions of Claremont, CA.

The Pipestone, MN, listings are currently used for a local taxi system. A county-wide transit system is in the planning stage, which also may use tokens. The N.I.S. will handle both these tokens thanks to Bill G.

The carousel at "A Carousel for Missoula" has 38 different horses and two chariots. They plan to issue six or seven different tokens each year, named for various horses. Bill Garrison obtained a supply of these three for our N.I.S.

Hector Turgeon obtained a supply of the new RI 521 listing for the N.I.S. The new tokens are mixed in with earlier issues according to the local authority. The Rhode Island Turnpike & Bridge Authority offers bulk purchases of 60 tokens for \$50.00.

Pee Dee Regional Transportation Authority of Florence, SC, is a very small operation. A few years ago they had only 3 buses. Due to the small quantity of tokens on hand, they are unable to sell quantities to the N.I.S.

Last year we listed TN 120 I, with "CHATANOOGA" on obverse. Now a new issue with the corrected spelling "CHATTANOOGA" has come forth, and John Hoffmann obtained a supply for members of our N.I.S.

On his way to the AVA convention Bill Garrison checked Salt Lake City, and learned that they had on hand, but not yet placed into use, a new issue which he obtained for our N.I.S. The local adult fare is \$1.00. Utah Transit Authority operates in more than a dozen suburbs, hence is a regional operation.

Janesville, WI 300 E is a handicapped-medicare token. Distribution is tightly controlled to those having proper identification, so the N.I.S. won't be handling this one.

WI 940 G, listed in February, will be available to N.I.S. members after all. The local authority reordered, and now has a sufficient quantity for us.

According to Prof. Ross Irwin, a Fellow of the Canadian Research Society, the newly listed ON 290 A was used in the early 1920's. Thomas Richard Davison, age 58 in 1923, was a drayman in Fergus. His son, J. Nelson Davison, age 23, was listed as a "bus driver." The Union Bus line is first listed in the phone book in March, 1921, and last listed in May, 1925. Early motor bus or horse-drawn?

Will the member who wrote our secretary, Louis Crawford, requesting application blanks please write him again? He lost your name and address. He's ready to send them to you.

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01 AUCTION (close Oct 23)

270 Parking tokens, at least 245 different, including varieties. Nothing newer than 1990. No list available. Best offer over \$100.00 plus \$5.00 shipping.

Herbert Weiss
247C Farragut Road
North Plainfield NJ
07062-2341

10 COLLECTIONS

My Oct. 30 mail bid sale 62 features The Robert Ritterband transportation token collection, an unlisted round cardboard depotel token, and much more. Send \$3.00 for catalogue, if not on my active mailing list.

Stephen Alpert
P. O. Box 66331
Los Angeles CA
90064-0331

13 MISCELLANEOUS

Am seeking transportation token display items for my El Paso Coin Club presentation October 19. All items will be returned to donor(s)
(Continued next column)

15 MISCELLANEOUS

and I will pay postage both ways. (915) 591-8971.

Henry T. Nesbitt
10470 Dawwood Lane
El Paso TX 79925-

I am a TT trader buying TT collections so, send me your fixed price lists, or send me your dupe TT listing if you prefer to trade instead. I will send you mine in exchange.

Bill Boncek
5404 Springfield Drive
Raleigh NC 27609-4610

25 SALE

At 2X catalogue value plus postage: [IA] 600-E; [IN] 660-C; 690-A; [KS] 820-D, G; 970-N; [KY] 510-BX; 680-N, O, P, Q; [LA] 80-C; [MA] 430-B; [MD] 770-A; [MN] 560-A; 600-C; 770-A; [MO] 230-A; 910-AA; [NE] 540-AD, AE; [NY] 230-H, 410-E; 745-B; [PA] 850-C; [TN] 120-E; 160-A [TX] 810-AA, AB, AU. E-mail: chuckb@vh.net

Chuck Benjamin
42 Kingwood Drive
Poughkeepsie NY
12601-5405

25 SALE

A 2-page pamphlet from the Metro Red Line in Los Angeles containing a pass for the opening of a "Red Line" extension for \$2.00 plus 50C postage.

Bob Kelley
2689 Cliff Road
North Bend OH
45052-9718

Best Offer: 4 dozen foreign TT's. Includes plastic and metal varieties. E-mail: lido3213@aol.com

Randy Glucksman
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West Nyack NY
10994-2810

26 SALE/TRADE

Sell or trade my Sofspra car wash token "Welco Gas Port" for your equivalent value car wash or transportation token that I need. Sell for \$1.50 and SASE. e-mail: banger38@aol.com

Carl Bangora
9308 Carolview Way
Orlando FL 32836-6305

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40 WANTED	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
[AL] 560-D, F; [AR] 105-A, B, C; 885-B thru H; [CA] 575-F, G; [HI] 240-A, B, F; 330-A, B; [IL] 460-A, B, C, E, J, K; 763-A; [KY] 480-D thru H; M; [OH] 100-R; 165-G, H, X; 440-A; 990-A; [VA] 720-A thru D, F; [WI] 30-B; 70-A; 330-A; 510-F, H. Ricky L. Curtis 245 McCarty Road Fredericksburg VA 22405-5708	Wanted for my collection: [TN] 140-A; 280-A; 300-A; 430-C, W; 690-B, C, D. Will pay top price. Jim Hedd 110 Braddock Street Crossville TN 38555-0548 Searching for NEVA (North-eastern Vecturist Association) publication either originals or copies. State items and prices. Bill Boncek 5404 Springfield Drive Raleigh NC 27609-4610	Tickets, passes and time tables wanted from railroad, trolley, stage, bus, ferry, bridge, tollroad, steamship, etc. Pre-1940 only. Phone: (919) 468-5510 Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC. 27512-5708

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Long-time AVA member Fred Robinson would like to form a study group of AVA members who are interested in paper items from transit systems, such as fare forms, transfers, timetables, system maps, etc. Most items which complement AVA tokens. Interested? Write him directly:

FRED ROBINSON - 131 5th STREET N.E., APT. 611 - CANTON, OH 44702

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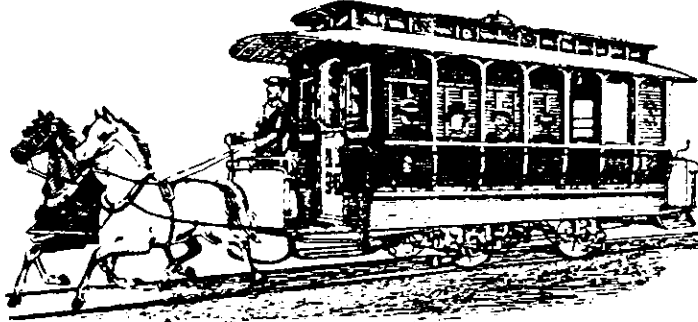
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OUR 640th ISSUE

October 28. The ads for the August Fare Box were lost in the mail. I have since then obtained a copy of them, and so the August ads, as well as the October ads, are contained in this issue. This doesn't happen often, but it does happen.

The transit authority in Charlotte, NC, has issued a one-ounce pure silver presentation piece in connection with its new regular token for year 2001. Two hundred of them will be available to AVA members at a discount price of \$15 each plus shipping. Regular price is \$20. If you would like to order one, AVA member Fred Sader (212 Evergreen St. - Brevard, NC 28712-8548) will handle orders for us. Send him \$15 plus \$1 shipping, but if you want insurance send \$2 for both shipping & insurance. If you don't get insurance, you must cover the loss if any. Meanwhile the regular token, which won't be issued to the public till next year, is already available to our New Issues Service. Nice token.

In this month's catalogue supplement we list ME 1000 E. I mentioned these on page 85 of the August issue. I have secured just 25 of them, and will sell them at cost of \$2 each plus 55¢ SASE, if you'd like one.

Louis Crawford learned of a nice anodized aluminum fare token now in use in Gadsden, AL, when he recently visited there. He obtained a supply for our New Issues Service, as well as a supply of a new Tuscaloosa, AL, token.

Someone on the internet says he obtained "a couple of rolls" of MO 880 I, and is offering them for sale at \$3.50 each, plus "\$1.50 shipping." The token is listed at \$7.50 in our catalogue. Reduce it to \$3.50. Thanks to Win Nowell for the information.

Win Nowell also sends along a new die variety of NH 720 C which he recently found in a roll he bought at a toll booth up there. It appears they recorded the 720 C, but why did they revert to the old name on the token?

Al Zaika just found one of the tokens described at the bottom of page 481 of Volume II of our catalogue. This octagonal aluminum token was apparently made for the old Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co., which was the name of the transit there until 1934. So it's a fairly old token and we have no idea if it's just a pattern, or was some sort of special use token (for admission to something) or actually good for fare, perhaps for a convention. Sure would like to know more about this stranger, which is kind of like the IL 998 V listed this month.



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Louis Crawford has come up with two nice new tokens for Dayton, Ohio, but we had not been successful in obtaining them for our New Issues Service. If anybody near there can help, please let us know. They appear to be WM, one is 16mm and the other is 23mm, inscribed "Celebrating / 25 Years of Service / Miami / Valley / RTA // Miami Valley RTA / 25 Years 1997 / rwm". The "25" is very large.

He also found a nice amusement ride token, 27mm white metal with reeded edge, inscribed "Frankie's Fun Park / One Ride Token / FFP // Frankie's Fun Park / No Refunds / FFP". These are used for go-karts, bumper boats, and "the trampoline thing" at their locations in North Charleston, SC, and on go-karts and bumper boats at their Columbia, SC, park. They also have a site in Greenville, SC, but only use tickets there. The face value of the token is \$4.50 (3 for \$12), so it is not likely our N.I.S. will handle it because high-cost amusement tokens are not as popular as regular issues.

Rich Bottles and Louis Crawford sent us some additional information about the Butler, PA, token which is listed this month:

On Saturday, August 26, 2000, a three-hour parade was held in the City of Butler to celebrate Butler County's 200th Anniversary. Attendance was expected to be high at the county-wide event and parking was known to be limited. So a promotion was planned to encourage people to park outside the city and take a free bus ride to the parade.

The free 'parade shuttles' operated from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 26, and made stops at three places along the way. Those using the bus on Saturday to get to the parade got more than just a free ride, though. Passengers on shuttles operated by the Butler Township-City Joint Municipal Transit Authority also received a special commemorative token, which could be redeemed on September 14 as part of the transit authority's celebration of "Try Transit Week."

The token was only good on that day: September 14.

Bill Garrison, as all of you know, obtains the vast majority of new issues that our New Issues Service distributes. This involves lots of phone calls and letter writing, as well as advancing lots of money. At the moment Bill has advanced over \$2,000 of his own money to buy tokens for N.I.S. Of course he will be reimbursed when the tokens arrive, but only a few of us are even in a position to advance so much money. At the moment Bill has a list of nearly 50 unlisted new issues that need to be researched and, we hope, obtained for N.I.S. Bill can only do so much. My point here is that if you learn of a new issue, see if you can obtain 240 of them for our N.I.S. Before buying a quantity, call Bill at 847-966-9017 to be sure he has not already obtained it. If he hasn't, see if you can get them yourself. Your cost will be reimbursed, including all shipping costs of course. The N.I.S. needs cooperation from all of us to succeed. We can't just "let Bill do it" any more.

Dorothea Case sends along a new 39mm woodnik (black printing) from Merrill, WI, inscribed "MERRILL / GO ROUND (all shaped like a bus)" on obverse, and "GOOD FOR / ONE RIDE" on reverse.

Back in the 1960's when he was a teenager, Richard Musser (227 Lepore Drive - Lancaster, PA 17602) wrote an article for The Fare Box on Turnpikes of Lancaster County. Can anyone tell me which issue it was in? I can't find it. If I know where to look I can make him a copy, as he'd like very much to have one.

I've been trying to figure out the rarest token from New York. I think it may be NY 630 F (without the "5th &" removed). I have it. Does anyone else? I believe it may be rarer than the 630 A.

RETURN TO BLACK RIVER

By Gerald Johnson

L-275

It was back in the mid 1960s, that I token hunted the Black River of Wisconsin, and now in this millennium year, it is again a token that has sent me scurrying to the Southwestern corner of Wisconsin, this time to seek the story of "Gordon's Ferry" at Decorah Prairie, just South of Galesville, Wisconsin.

The token of this story is not a fare token, but rather a dated pictorial medalet, remembering a long time ferry operation in Decorah Prairie, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.

The ferry is prominently mentioned on the medal, and there are other indicators that fare tokens were used on the Gordon ferry as well, but no new fare token has yet surfaced. The search continues.

Unlike as in many other pioneer tales, the settlers at the edge of this wilderness came into the County primarily on foot, there were no real roads or railways until about 1870, in this area.

Using the words of the Trempealeau County History.

"It was after 1850 that the settlement of the interior of the County took place, and for a period of 15 years settlers poured into the valleys of Trempealeau County"
"Many came by way of LaCrosse, and thence over the rough road to Gordon, or McGilvray's ferry, and crossed these ferries into the County." (Trempealeau)

The rough road alluded to in the County history, included wildly rolling wooded terrain, and in the case of the McGilvray ferry, a bottom land that was so soggy it called for long stretches of corduroy roads, made by laying fallen trees side by side, and caulking them with mud and brush to provide a pathway through dense swampland.

While the McGilvray ferry on the Black River is well documented, no detailed information on the Gordon ferry has to date turned up, or fare tokens from either ferry.

The Gordon ferry on the Black River was named after the 1865 land owner on which an early Indian fording point was located.

Ferry owner Daniel Gordon, (1840-1916) was not a prominent man, no biography of him or his family appears to exist. Only his burial as noted in the cemetery records has surfaced so far.

The Hunter Bridge, which replaced Gordon Ferry, was the result of a hard fought 20 year bureaucratic battle by Galesville farmer and businessman, Thomas Hunter.

Hunter worked tirelessly, and the bridge was finally approved and built and named in his honor. There is no record of the Hunter bridge using tolls.

The contempt for the ferry system by the political bureaucracy was clearly evident when State Assemblyman, L.B. Cox in his dedication speech stated: "The bridges are but a type of advanced civilization. Barbarous countries do not have them. They have the scow or the raft, but enlightened countries have magnificent structures in which they should take deepest pride." Ouch..... now that hurt those of us who love ferryboat tokens!

The medalet is also mentioned in the same newspaper account; "Souvenir medals inscribed on one side with a picture of the bridge, on the other, "Hunters Bridge,1895," were sold and worn in large numbers."

Although many of the medalets may have been worn at the bridge celebration, this is the only piece that has surfaced to date. No one in the Trempealeau County area recalls ever having seen the medelet/token.

A nice little transit related item, judging from the cutout, the medalet was worn on a ribbon, since jump rings require only a tiny round hole for attachment.

Reference books present a nice description of ferry operations on the Black River, as well as a list of ferries and owners. Perhaps an AVA sleuth will come up with a token from one:

McGilvray's Ferry	Trempealeau	1852-1892	
Douglas Ferry	Dumfries (Bristol)	1852 -1896	*
Spauldings Ferry	Upper Fork	1855	
Stebbins Ferry	Ox Bow	1856	
Brockway Ferry	Lower Falls	1858-1866	
Crook Ferry	North Bend	1859-1878	**
Putnam Ferry	Richards and Johnson Mill	1859-1878	
Davis Ferry	Irving	1859	
Gales Ferry	Galesville (2.5 Miles So.)	1860	***
Maxton Ferry	Upper Melrose	1860	
Smith Ferry	Bl.River Falls (4 Miles So.)	1860	
Smith Ferry	Dewhurst Township	1864	****
Gordon Ferry	Decorah Prairie	1865-1895	
Mead Ferry	East Fork (above)	1869	*****
Dresden Ferry	North LaCrosse	1875	
Byrns Ferry	Town of Melrose	1890	

- * Dumfries became Bristol then Melrose, Wi.
- ** Crook ferry, George Newberry Owner
- *** Gales ferry, James Monsier Owner
- **** Smith ferry, Millet J. Smith Owner
- ***** Mead ferry, Eli Mead Owner

There was also a Gaylord Ferry listed at Melrose in 1896, and a ferry on the Mississippi, called the "Warsaw", that crossed the river to LaCrescent, Minnesota, prior to the construction of the interstate bridge.

"Pioneer Days in Black River Valley", lists this rate schedule for the Smith ferry in Dewhurst Township;

"Two horses, two oxen, or two mules with vehicle, 50 cents; one horse, one ox, one mule with vehicle, 25 cents; livestock, 10 cents each; foot passengers 5 cents each. The absence of saddle horses is significant, as indicating their rarity".

At these prices, reduced return fare tokens would surely have been appropriate for commerce in the Galesville and LaCrosse area.

Perhaps new Black River tokens will surface in California, Oregon or Washington, the pioneers of Wisconsin were always looking westward.

Prices Realized From The Third Mark Symons Token Auction

1	7.70	27	1.95	53	2.15	79	1.50	105	2.50	131	2.40	157	5.00	183	5.25	209	2.25	235	2.70
2	8.91	28	1.25	54	16.93	80	2.59	106	No B	132	1.10	158	3.10	184	5.70	210	2.25	236	6.25
3	7.70	29	No B	55	4.00	81	3.25	107	No B	133	2.25	159	3.65	185	6.00	211	2.00	237	3.75
4	7.25	30	2.65	56	11.00	82	No B	108	No B	134	No B	160	3.00	186	6.00	212	2.30	238	4.25
5	6.00	31	1.25	57	2.61	83	2.25	109	No B	135	261.65	161	2.00	187	2.53	213	1.10	239	No B
6	2.00	32	No B	58	5.00	84	No B	110	No B	136	5.75	162	4.50	188	5.12	214	3.15	240	4.25
7	2.10	33	4.14	59	2.10	85	2.25	111	4.00	137	3.30	163	4.00	189	3.35	215	2.00	241	12.75
8	5.75	34	5.00	60	2.00	86	2.20	112	2.30	138	3.85	164	No B	190	1.35	216	2.30	242	5.50
9	2.30	35	5.30	61	2.00	87	1.70	113	3.30	139	3.30	165	No B	191	2.75	217	2.20	243	4.25
10	12.00	36	2.00	62	6.30	88	4.51	114	No B	140	3.00	166	1.00	192	9.64	218	2.20	244	4.25
11	16.33	37	5.00	63	3.10	89	2.00	115	No B	141	8.95	167	2.45	193	3.00	219	No B	245	4.25
12	0.25	38	2.47	64	1.95	90	12.00	116	No B	142	No B	168	2.40	194	3.25	220	4.00	246	6.90
13	1.50	39	2.10	65	No B	91	3.49	117	4.25	143	3.15	169	2.31	195	12.05	221	3.61	247	4.75
14	2.00	40	4.10	66	No B	92	2.00	118	1.10	144	5.00	170	2.50	196	No B	222	9.85	248	3.30
15	10.05	41	5.61	67	1.55	93	2.00	119	3.00	145	1.70	171	4.00	197	2.00	223	3.25	249	37.50
16	3.00	42	5.00	68	1.95	94	No B	120	3.25	146	1.70	172	3.00	198	4.40	224	5.06	250	2.92
17	3.00	43	3.00	69	2.35	95	2.00	121	No B	147	3.75	173	No B	199	1.35	225	7.43	251	9.42
18	2.25	44	No B	70	0.70	96	1.10	122	No B	148	2.45	174	2.25	200	1.75	226	No B	252	6.90
19	1.50	45	1.50	71	1.10	97	52.50	123	2.15	149	3.10	175	1.10	201	2.85	227	2.00	253	3.30
20	2.10	46	2.92	72	1.10	98	No B	124	12.07	150	4.00	176	2.75	202	3.00	228	5.50	254	1.65
21	5.50	47	3.05	73	4.84	99	No B	125	3.25	151	3.10	177	7.15	203	2.02	229	4.50	255	4.82
22	No B	48	8.00	74	No B	100	1.10	126	No B	152	3.00	178	5.00	204	2.10	230	8.25	256	5.00
23	1.50	49	2.25	75	0.50	101	No B	127	3.31	153	No B	179	4.15	205	3.00	231	4.25	257	3.30
24	3.85	50	5.00	76	7.70	102	No B	128	4.50	154	No B	180	3.30	206	2.70	232	4.25		
25	2.00	51	1.50	77	4.13	103	2.51	129	2.00	155	1.10	181	2.75	207	5.70	233	4.25		
26	10.00	52	3.41	78	No B	104	2.00	130	4.50	156	13.05	182	7.50	208	3.00	234	3.25		

[See page 71 of the June 2000 Fare Box for list of tokens]

OCTOBER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE

By Harold V. Ford

FLORIDA

Bushnell 93 (Reported by Louis Crawford & Eli Bail)
SUMTER COUNTY TRANSIT/568-MOVE/(RUNNING PIG)

A	Bz	25	Sd	25/HH		\$0.25
B	Z	25	Sd	1/HH	(WM-plated)	1.00

ILLINOIS

Patterns 998 (Reported by Coffee & Ford)
CHICAGO/THE/CONVENTION/CITY/"WELCOME TRAVELERS"/
(EMBLEM)

V	A	23	Sd	Guest/Token/Ride The/CTA (in circle)		
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IOWA

Orange City 705 (Reported by NATCA)
B. VERSTEEG/BUS/LINE/ORANGE CITY/IOWA.
B o A 30 Sd Good For/One/Return Trip/Not Good on Freight/Trains 100.00

MAINE

Miscellaneous 1000 (Reported by Win Nowell)
THE SANDY RIVER RAILROAD MUSEUM/THE PHILLIPS
HISTORICAL SOCIETY/"THE SCENIC ROUTE"/SANDY RIVER/
AND/RANGELEY/LAKES/RAILROAD/MAINE (IN SHIELD)
E Pg 39 Sd Ride the Sandy River/"Keep Our Two-Feet Going"/
Good For One Ride/\$5/Contribution/(conductor & front
view of railroad car)/1995
[on edge:] The Sandy River Railroad Museum Division
of the Phillips Historical Society Phillips ME 04966
(Token is multicolored: green, yellow, blue, brown, black)

MASSACHUSETTS

Westfield 880 (Reported by Bob Kelley)
THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB/OF GREATER WESTFIELD/(LOGO)
B Pg 38 Sd (same as obverse) (white lettering) ***

MICHIGAN

Grand Rapids 370 (Reported by Bill Weber)
OFFICIAL/GR/WCUZ (ON FRONT OF TROLLEY)/.TEN ¢
FARE.
R o B 25 Sd WCUZ 101fm/1230am/Good For One Ride/GRATA/
Trolley Token ***

MISSOURI

Washington 945 (Reported by Karl Gabsch)
GOOD FOR/20/~~XXXX~~/BY THE/WASHINGTON FERRY CO.
B o B 29 Sd 20 (on obverse "cents" is Xed out) (all incuse) 75.00

NEBRASKA

Arcadia 40 (Reported by Roger Bolz)
W.R. STEPHENSON/ARCADIA,/NEBR.
A o B Oc Sd Good For/One Round Trip/Fare/25¢ (25mm) 100.00

NEW JERSEY

North Bergen 585 (Reported by John Coffee)
COMMUNITY LINES, INC/N. BERGEN-JOURNAL SQ/
N.Y.C./ONE RIDE

A	B	22	Sd	Community Lines, Inc/North Bergen, NJ/HM (eagle on emblem over wreath)	1.75
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OHIO

Medina 550 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
MCT/FARE

A	Pb	28	Pc	(blank)(black printing on obverse)	1.00
B	Pr	28	Sd	"	.50
C	Py	28	Sd	"	.50

PENNSYLVANIA

Butler 142 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
BUTLER COUNTY/S BICENTENNIAL/1800-2000/BUS (on BUS)

E	o	Pw	41	Sd	The Bus/August 26, 2000/BUS (on BUS)(red printing)	1.00
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CORRECTION

CT 130 A,B (listed 9/00): the tiny letters beneath the streetcar are KVL (not RWM)

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

Louis Crawford learned about the two Bushnell, FL, tokens late last year. Since they are modern issues he thought he could obtain them for our New Issues Service. It took some time but he was finally successful. We assume the 93 A listing is for students & elderly, and 93 B is the adult token.

The token we list as an Illinois pattern was pictured in the December 1979 Fare Box. Whether it was a pattern or a restricted regular issue was the question then. We've never had any feedback, but we know it was pictured in one of Meyer & Wenthe's advertising brochures. If we get adequate background information to justify relisting it as a regular issue, will do so.

The Orange City, IA, depot listing was a token offered in a recent NATCA auction. The metal, size and reverse inscription are the same as the already listed IA 705 A.

See page 85 of the August 2000 Fare Box for background information on the Maine 1000 listing. John Coffee secured 25 of them which he will sell at cost of \$2 each +SASE.

The MA 880 B token seems to be an error issue because it is the same color as the Southwick, MA 752, and only a small quantity of the green ones are in use. John Coffee learned this past summer that the blue plastic MA 880 A is used by The Boys & Girls Club for bus rides for group-organized summer programs. The small supply of the green plastic tokens was locked up in the nearby school and they were used by individual students for a ride home following after-school activities. Because of the existing tiny supply we list this token with *** for value.

The Grand Rapids, MI, listing was mentioned on page 76 of the September 1996 Fare Box, but was not listed because we had only a poor rubbing without accurate description. Our editor recently obtained a specimen so now we can list it correctly. About all we know is that it was used as a promo by a local radio station for a rubber tired trolley operation that lasted only a year or two, probably in the 1970's. Perhaps some local collectors can research on its availability.

We lack background information on the early 20th Century Washington Ferry Co. token. MO 945 A was listed in October 1981. In a recent Levine auction a similar "10" issue was offered. The catalogue had two pictures of the obverse side, so we'll hold up listing until we receive a picture or a clear rubbing of the reverse.

We lack any background information about the Arcadia, NE, token. Judging from the die work it looks circa 1910-20.

John Coffee learned about the North Bergen, NJ, commuter token this past summer. We assume it is good for a fare in either direction between Journal Square in North Bergen and the Port Authority Bus Terminal in lower Manhattan. Chris O'Connor has obtained a supply for the N.I.S.

Medina County Transit has had the three plastic tokens since 1992, but they lay in storage until 7/1/99, when they established Medina/Brunswick Double Loop. The blue token is good for an adult fare, the red a disabled fare, the yellow is a strictly controlled senior fare. Louis Crawford was able to obtain OH 550 A and B for the N.I.S. We were informed the hole in any token has no significance, which means any of each listing could be either solid or pierced. We list these issues as they are known to be in quantity.

The Butler, PA, token was given out free to persons who used a free shuttle bus to a bicentennial parade. This commemorative plastic token was good for a ride on September 14, 2000, to coincide with "Try Transit Week." Most tokens were kept as souvenirs, but we believe we shall have a supply eventually for most members of the New Issues Service.

The Charlotte, NC, authority will issue a new brass regular token, plus a silver presentation piece listing dated 2001. The regular listing will be available through our N.I.S. early next year. One thousand numbered silver tokens, the size of a silver round, were struck. 200 to 220 specimens will be available to A.V.A. members per Fred Sader (AVA #2995) - 212 Evergreen St. - Brevard, NC 28712-8548, at a discount price of \$15 prior to a 12/15/00 deadline. Price to the general public is \$20. He is the contact person for this discount. Payment should be made to "Charlotte Trolley." Specimens have arrived and will be shipped immediately, per Fred's telephone call 10/15/00.

!!!WANTED!!!

THE FOLLOWING HORSECAR TOKENS FOR MY COLLECTION:

I NEED, and will pay *TOP DOLLAR* for:

- Winchester City RY Co. KY #970-Z**
- C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE "Real Estate" #540-H;**

**ROBERT RHUE
P. O. BOX 371437
DENVER, CO 80237
303/671-0650**



= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-25 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

MONTANA
BILLINGS 3080

DOWNTOWN BILLINGS / "BURN THE POINT" / 2000 (auto)
A Bz 23 Sd Parking Token / Star Of The Big Sky Country / Billings /
Montana / No Cash Value / RWM (building scene) 1.00

NEW YORK (Reported by E Bawden)
ROCHESTER-3780

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER / ADMISSIONS
P B 23 Sd Parking / Token (auto)(WM-pltd) 1.00
PTMS
GROUP-3037

METRIC / GROUP
A B 28 Sd (same as obverse) 1.00
METRIC / PARKING (logo)
B B 28 Sd (same as obverse) 1.00
GROUP 3080

PARKING / RWM / TOKEN (auto)
AA Bz 23 Sd No / Cash / Value / RWM 1.00
CANADA

NEW BRUNSWICK 3750 (Reported by J P Collingwood)
UPTOWN SAINT JOHN (building scene)

A A 25 Sd Parking / 50c (50c incuse) / No Cash Value (building scene) 1.00

= ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS =

PTMS-3080-W: add following vars:(R: Dentillations are...mm long)
a. (0.5)
b. (2.0)

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

Billings Montana has issued a commemorative parking token. I don't know what it is supposed to commemorate. Our PATNIS manager should obtain this one for us.

Ed Bawden alerted me to the University of Rochester token. Joe Radomski put our PATNIS manager, Karl Gabsch on the road toward obtaining a batch for NEW ISSUES.

The Saint John tokens are currently in use at parking garages, parking meters and pay and display machine parking lots.

METRIC is a parking gate installer. They have an office in Clifton, NJ.

Bob Nolan informed me of an interesting item. I have been unable to obtain any information as to its use. The city advises that tokens are no longer used.

ELIZABETHTON / A / GOOD PLACE / TO / SHOP / TENN.

B 22 Sd The City Of Power / 5c / Token / 1975

Harry Crow also has an interesting item.

EMANUEL / HOSPITAL

B 23 Sd 5 Any info would be appreciated.

The University of Georgia Specialty Clinic in Athens, GA uses tokens. No info.

The University of Houston in Houston, Tx also uses tokens. Again no info.

Children's Hospital in Minneapolis, MN is using parking coupons.

STEELCASE INC in Grand Rapids, MI is using PTMS-3080-Gc.

POLARIS CONSULTING in Phila, PA is also using PTMS-3080-Gc.

PEPPERDINE U in Malibu, CA is using tokens. No info.

LEWIS TOWERS in Chicago, IL is also using tokens, again no info.

Order direct from me FEISEL'S FIFTH @\$42.00 PPD and receive with it 81/2x11 sheets containing all newly listed tokens. Others wanting a copy of the up-dated tokens, the cost is 10c per sheet plus postage.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

SUPPLEMENT #33 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

BY HAROLD V. FORD

UNIDENTIFIED

- MICKYS CAR WASH rwm
- 451 B 25 Sd No Cash Value rwm
- LOOK-N-GOOD CARWASHES (MOTORCYCLE)
- 452 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt Back hh
- VIRGINIA AUTO WASH SELF SERVICE CAR WASH TOKEN rwm
- 453 Bz 25 Sd Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt Back rwm (cartoon auto)
- MAIN ST. CAR-TRUCK WASHES ALWAYS A WINNER MONTANA PRIDE
- 454 B 25 Sd A Sharp Vehicle Mark of a Winner (antique car)
- MAGIC FOUNTAIN TRUCK WASH ONLY (OLD PICKUP TRUCK)
- 455 Bz 25 Sd Good.For.Fifty.Cents.in.Trade 50 hh
- HYDRO 5 CARWASH SYSTEMS rwm
- 456 Bz 29 Sd Hydro 5 Carwash Systems (WM-plated)
- MID TOWN
- 457 Bz 23 Sd Car Wash
- LAMBTON AUTOMALL
- 458 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car)
- ROSE INDUSTRIAL PARK
- 459 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hm (antique car)
- WHITE GLOVE CAR WASH (AUTO) (HAT over W in WHITE)
- 460 Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hm
- VIC'S IN WOODHAVEN hm
- 461 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hm (antique car)
- LWW SELF SERVE CAR WASH
- 462 Bz 25 Sd Freedom hm (eagle on emblem over wreath)
- KITTERY CAR WASH
- 463 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car)
- JK (LOGO)
- 464 Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car)
- AUTO SHOWER (WET CARTOON AUTO)
- 465 Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh
- BUD'S SUDS AUTOMATIC ONLY
- 466 Bz 20 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh
- ELITE AUTO WASH
- 467 Bz 27 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm
- SAWYER CAR WASH (incuse)
- 468 Bz 27 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm
- EDDYS CONVENIENT STORES
- 469 B 29 Sd Good For "The Works" Wash Non Refundable One 1 hh (WM-plated)
- CARL'S SOUTHSIDE CAR WASH NO CASH VALUE
- 470 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car)
- DAN'S CAR WASH rwm
- 471 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (convertible car)
- ELKADER CAR WASH rwm (STARS)
- 472 Bz 25 Carwash Token rwm (convertible car)
- SQUEAKY B'S CAR WASH rwm (CARTOON MOUSE)
- 473 Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value rwm
- COUNTRY CAR WASH (incuse) (inscription on side of HOUSE)
- 474 Bz 23 Sd Country Car Wash Token rwm
- CRYSTAL CLEAN CAR WASH rwm
- 475 Bz 23 Sd No Cash Value rwm
- LD'S AUTO BATH rwm (CAR IN TUB UNDER SHOWER HEAD)
- 476 Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind)
- MR. CLEAN CAR WASH MR. CLEAN CAR WASH rwm
- 477 Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value rwm

SUPPLEMENT #34 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

BY HAROLD V. FORD

(all listings CWTNIS, except NE 700 I & MT 100 B)

IOWA

Council Bluffs 240

JEFF'S WASH & GLO CAR WASH

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) .50

MONTANA

Bozeman 100

BUGGY BATH EAST MAIN BOZEMAN, MT rwm

B Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind) .50

NEBRASKA

Fremont 360

MR. T'S CAR WASH FREMONT, NE rwm (JALOPY)

E Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (convertible car) 1.50

Grand Island 420

FIVE POINTS CAR WASH G.I., NE. rwm

B B 29 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) .50

Omaha 700

MIGHTY SPRAY CAR WASH 3120 N. 108th 108 & MAPLE SELF SERVE rwm

I Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (front of auto) .50

J Bz 25 Sd Good.For.Fifty.Cents.in.Trade rwm 50 .50

GORILLA SYSTEMS INC. rwm

K Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) .50

THE WASH CORNER 67th & BLONDO, OMAHA, NE 25¢

L Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) .50

PRESSURE CLEAN CAR WASH USE IN WASH BAYS ONLY

M Bz 25 Sd Bonus 50¢ Token rwm .50

Seward 830

SEWARD CAR WASH TOKEN rwm

A B 29 Sd Carwash Token rwm (front of auto) .50

West Point 960

THE SPEEDY WASH WEST POINT, NE (AUTOMOBILE)

B B 25 Sd Car Wash Token (WM-plated) .50

OHIO

Fairfield 310

HICKS MANOR CARWASH rwm

C Bz 23 Sd Magie & Holiday Dr. Featuring Turtle Wax Products (turtle) .50

West Chester 943 (ex Unid 450)

BECKETT CAR WASH RT. 747 @ SMITH rwm

A Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (front of auto) .50

WISCONSIN

West Salem 952

SUPER WASH T-N-T A DYNAMITE JOB (on DYNAMITE CAP) AUTOMATIC BAY
WEST SALEM. WI.

B B 29 Sd Carwash Token c (antique car) (ACb) 3.50

WYOMING

Gillette 260

ADVANCE AUTO WASH GILLETTE WYOMING

B Bz 23 Sd No Cash Value hm 1.00

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? ? A B O U T T H E M I S S I N G A D S ? ?

We regret to announce that for some strange reason, the Ad Section for the month of August 2000 did not appear in that month's issue of the Fare Box. Whether it be for some malfunction of the postal service, or for some other reason, those pages became lost, strayed, or what-ever, and did not get into print. The copy-ready master was put into the mails on Thursday, August 10th, on their way to John Coffee for insertion into the August Fare Box. As they did not get in, we have sent a reprint to John and hope he can get them in with the October ads of this issue. Sorry for this mix-up and we want you to know you were not overlooked.

15 MISCELLANEOUS

Selling a collection for AVA member. Lots of good tokens. Send SASE for lists.

Joe Studebaker Jr
2614 Legare Street
Beaufort SC 29902-5934



25 SALE

Send \$4.00 money order or check. Receive 10 different transportation tokens postpaid.

Charles E. Swain Jr
2215 Wendell Avenue
Louisville KY
40205-3062

30 TRADE

Send \$4.00 catalogue value parking tokens or carwash tokens. Receive \$8.00 catalogue value transportation tokens.

Charles E. Swain Jr
2215 Wendell Avenue
Louisville KY
40205-3062

30 TRADE

Let's trade! Send your TT list. Receive mine. Have other varied tokens and exnumia to trade for TT's.

John Ciecka
1540 Society Hill Dr.
Bensalem PA
19020-3689

[NY] 230-I, J, 365-B, C 735-B; 780-J, 790-J; [IL] 430-D E; [PA] 360-B, C, [WI] 220-A B, C, E, F, G.

Joe Studebaker Jr
2614 Legare Street
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40 WANTED

Seeking rubber stamps of the AVA seal and trolley cars, or a source of them. Also need the 1977 27th AVA anniversary, Carson City NV Good For 2 banquet token

Bill Boncek
5404 Springfield Drive
Raleigh NC 27609-4616

25 SALE

[AZ] 440-A \$1.25; [CA] 875-A \$1.50; [AB] 250=B \$1.50. Only one of each. Price is postpaid.

Curtis H. Judge
5539 Redbud Lane
Harrisonburg VA 22801-

Trade my [NY] 780-B for your [MI] 775-A. Several trades available.

Paul Havens
64 Orchard Hills Dr.
Spencerport NY
14559-1516

At catalogue plus postage:
[PA] 65-N; 263-A, B, C; 340-C, E; 360-A; 525-A; 945-A, B, C; 725-K.

Joe Studebaker Jr
2614 Legare Street
Beaufort SC 29902-5934

Will you trade your old US transit tickets for my transit tokens? If you prefer cash, that's OK too. Phone: (919) 468-5510.

Dan Benice
P O Box 5708
Cary NC 27512-5708

Old US transit and railroad tickets. (919) 468-5510.

Dan Benice
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Cary NC
27512-5708

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01 AUCTION (close Nov. 25)	25 SALE	30 TRADE
<p>[NY] 94-A (cat. \$8.50); [IL] 95-A (cat. \$30); [PA] 725-D (cat. \$7.50). Rocco DiGiacomo 42 Sunset Drive Mt. Holly NJ 08060-1915</p>	<p>Car Wash tokens for listed catalogue value plus adequate postage: [AZ] 640-C, F, G, I, L; 840-C; [CA] 262-A; 510-B; 810-B; 895-C; 945-C; [MO] 975-A; [NV] 200-C; [NY] 10-A; [OR] 90-A; [PA] 293-B; Unid 236 (3.50); 364 (\$1.00). Harold V. Ford 43 Arroyo Drive Moraga CA 94556-1228</p>	<p>Have a few non-NIS TT's and non-PATNIS PT's for listed car wash tokens of similar value I need. Some TT's available: [CA] 280-B; 295-A; [MI] 475-A, B, C; [NY] 790-F, G, H, I. Harold V. Ford 43 Arroyo Drive Moraga CA 94556-1228</p>
<p>Mfrs. Samples: 7-E; 8-H (evenly worn); 11-A thru E, G; 13-K; 16-C. Presentation Piece AZ (only 500 struck). Fantasies: Non-local #1 (Charlie Chaplin Jitney). Harold V. Ford 43 Arroyo Drive Moraga CA 94556-1228</p>	<p>28 SALE/TRADE</p> <p>New SOFSPRA carwash variety - added, but not formally listed - should be [OR] 400-Bd (rev 1) available. Consider cash or trade offers. Al Kohlhardt P. O. Box 2649 Sunnyvale CA 94087-0649</p>	<p>40 WANTED</p> <p>Buying [PA] PTC tokens. Need about 100: [PA] 750-AO, AP, AQ, AW, AZ. Pay 25c each plus postage. Phone: (215) 67308473. Douglas Martin 1031 Alpena Road Philadelphia PA 19115-4524</p>
<p>03 BUY/TRADE</p> <p>I'm eager to buy or trade for tickets, passes and time tables from railroads, trolley, stage, ferry, bridge, tollroad, steamship, etc. Phone: (919) 468-5510 Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>	<p>30 TRADE</p> <p>Will trade [PA] 310-Ab for paper transfers and tickets from Street Railways of Scranton PA and Carbon-dale PA. Charles Wroblewski 206 Green Street ClarksGreen PA 18411-1212</p>	<p>Would like to buy the following transportation tokens: [AL] 560-D, P, Q; [AR] 105-A, B; 435-G; 885-B thru G; [CT] 525-B; C, D; 550-A; [HI] 240-B; 330-A, B; [IL] 10-B, C; 25-B; 150-S; 270-A; [MA] 115-J, K; [OH] 165-G, H; 440-A, E; [TN] 600-C, E, G; [TX] 5-A; 30-A, B. Ricky L. Curtis 245 McCarty Road Fredericksburg VA 22405-5708</p>
<p>25 SALE</p> <p>50 different transit tokens for \$12.00 postpaid. Richard Czachur 411 Ziegler Street Dupont PA 18641-1349</p>		

40 WANTED	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
[AL] 560-D, H; [AR] 885-C; [CA] 50-A; 300-A; 575-D; 745-L, M; [IL] 10-A, B, C; 25-B; 150-S, U; 155-A, B; 455-A;; 460--D; 720-C; [KY] 480-D thru I; [VA] 500-C; 720-A, B, C, D, F. Name your price. Ricky Curtis 245 McCarty Road Fredericksburg VA 22405=5708	[TX] 50-N, S; 340-H; [OK] 590-E; 700-D; 860-F, G, H; [FL] 105-G; 880-N, O; [GA] 60-AN; 920-C. Joe Studebaker Jr 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934 Michigan carwash and park- ing tokens. Need all. Jim Griffis 28063 Sheridan Garden City MI 48135-3180	I'll pay 3X catralogue for nice specimens with good plating on them: [UT] 650-C 50C, D \$1.00; [TX] 340-Q 50C; [VT] 150-I 25C; [VA] 600-K \$2.50; [WA] 880-H \$2.00; [WI] 500-F 75C. Phone : (410) 343-1627. Oliver Brauer - 18330 Prettyboy Dam Rd Parkton MD 21120-9466

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 3027 DAVID ARROW - 1337 Ogontz Street - York, Pennsylvania 17403
Age 29; Teacher. Collects U.S., Parking, car wash (Schneider)
- 3028 DAVE AUGUST - 386 Clearview Avenue - Somerset, Massachusetts 02726
Age 52; Retired Police Officer. Collects U.S., Parking, car wash (Kellner)
- 3029 ROBERT J. WOJCIKOWSKI - P.O. Box 73 - Poulsbo, Washington 98370-0073
Age 47; Letter Carrier. Collects U.S. (Coffee)
- 3030 LARKIN BROUGHTON - 5412 Broadmoor Street - Alexandria, VA 22315-4016
Age 60; Retired. Collects U.S. (Weber)
- 3031 GARY J. WHIPPLE - 300 Pineland Drive - Housa, Louisiana 70360
Age 59; Retired. Collects U.S., Parking, car wash (Schenkman)
- 3032 FRED R. RYAN - 2615 Davidwood Court - Nashville, Tennessee 37214-1305
Age 69; Retired. Collects U.S., Canada (Schneider)
- 3033 ROBERT J. BATES - 4612 Junction Avenue - El Paso, Texas 79924-2911
Age 71; Retired. Collects U.S., Canada, foreign (Weber)

REINSTATEMENT TO MEMBERSHIP

- 1267 NATHAN T. HUGHES - 4555 South Mission #712 - Tucson, Arizona 85746

RESIGNATION FROM MEMBERSHIP

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I AE BB BC, 365 B, 370 AD, 400 AP AQ, 405 BH FG BT BX CQ DA DB, 445 AE AG, 475 A PI, 495 PH, 500 Ba AH BB BG
CA CC CD, 525 A, 530 BA BB BC BD, 545 AA AD AI AO, 560 AE AG AH AI AM AS AT BA BG BJ, 570 AA, 595 Aa Ab, 605
AB AC AD AF, 615 AA AB, 645 AA AB BA BC, 655 AA AF, 685 AE AL AU CB, 700 AC AE, 705 BA BB, 710 AD, 715 AH,
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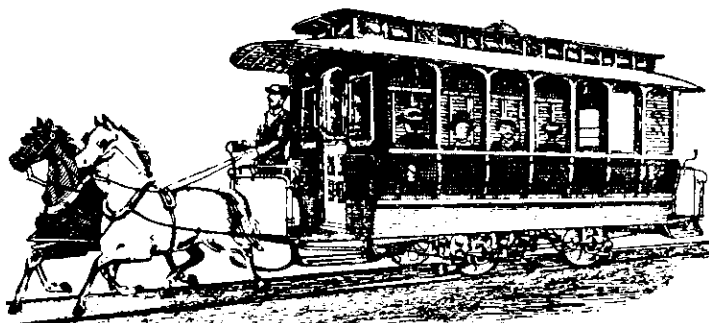
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WARREN H. ADCOCK

Warren Adcock, AFA 2510, of Raleigh, North Carolina, joined us in 1990 when he was already 68 years of age. He died October 21. His wife Tommye writes that "He had not been well for some time but continued his interest in coins almost to the very end. It was a hobby that gave him much joy." We all share her loss, poignantly.

LAST CALL FOR PAYMENT OF DUES FOR YEAR 2001

December 2. Dues envelopes were mailed with the August/September issues, and the large number of members who have responded already is gratifying. But if you still have not sent in your \$20 annual dues (\$23 Canada; \$30 overseas) to treasurer Joel Reznick (P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116) please do so right away. If your dues is not received by December 31, you won't get the January Fare Box.

Bill Sowell reports picking up a 31mm green plastic inscribed "Tacoma / Sub-urban / Lines, Inc. // Tacoma / - / DuPont". I don't know if that firm is still running. I remember it back in the 1960's. Can anyone help?

Bill Garrison took one of the Boston Millennium token and ground it down to see what's under the gold plating. Turns out to be brass. It'll be listed next month under Misc 1000. Theoretically good for fare, but sold at \$2, I think the Misc category is most appropriate for now.

John Hanawalt reports a 38mm white plastic token inscribed M/V \$1.00 MOUNT KATAHDIN with blank reverse. He suggests it may be a toll road token for a motor vehicle to use the private road up Mount Katahdin in Maine's Baxter State Park, which is about as remote an area as there is east of the Mississippi River.

Ed Bawden reports a new carousel token he picked up last September when he visited Waterloo, Wisconsin. The 38mm red plastic token has gold lettering inscribed "1911 C.W. Parker Carousel / Firemens Park, Waterloo, WI / (carousel horse) // Ride / Token / No Cash Value / (carousel top). It's about 3mm thick. We think we can get a supply for N.I.S. Sure are a bunch of carousel tokens being used all over the country of late.

Roger Bolz has a 22mm aluminum token inscribed "F.A. Woodruff / Gallatin, / Mo." with a blank reverse. Obviously issued by the same person who issued MO 355 A. But was this one for a ride, or for something else?



A while back I received from a member a newspaper clipping about a bus service in the tiny town of Scotland Neck, NC, which said they were also using wooden tokens. I asked Louis Crawford to check on it thru the internet. He did, and his request for a couple tokens was promptly complied with. The token is one of the nicest, as woodniks go: "GOOD FOR ONE RIDE / CPTA / HOP A RIDE // \$1.00". There is also on the obverse a funny little figure I can't make out. Bill Boncek of Raleigh has since secured a supply for our New Issues Service.

Bob Kelley gets around a lot, and last month a letter arrived from him, containing a nice, previously unknown, brass 25mm token from Lawrenceburg, Indiana. The token's obverse is kind of complicated to describe, and it has some lettering that is so tiny it takes a microscope to decipher it. I would describe the token thus:

SOUTHEAST INDIANA TRANSIT/GOOD FOR ONE FARE/SEIT (ON MAP
OF INDIANA) SOUTHEAST INDIANA TRANSIT (in tiny letters in
ARROW extending from top of S in SEIT)(SE is incuse; IT
is not)/(TINY BUS)

B 25 Sd Good For/1/One Ride

As soon as I saw the token I called Larry Kemper, who lives nearby, and asked him to check it out. He did, and obtained a supply of them for our N.I.S. In the process, Larry also discovered that the above SEIT token is already obsolete, but a new one is now in use. He hasn't acquired a supply of the new one, but expects to have no trouble doing so. The new one is described:

CATCH-A-RIDE/DIVISION OF/LIFETIME RESOURCES (LEAF)

B 25 Sd Catch-a-Ride/Public Transportation/C.A.R./Token

Fare is \$1.00, and tokens are sold 10/\$8, 20/\$15, 40/\$25 to the general public, or 10/\$4 or 20/\$8 to elderly, children and disabled. The same token is used by everybody. Asked how drivers could avoid having regular people use discounted tokens, Larry was told "We know everybody."

Larry Dziubek reports that a previously unlisted old zone check from Pennsylvania was sold on the internet at a very hefty price. Similar to PA 997 R, the token reads "FARE PAID / THRU / 3 / ZONE / CBL" with blank reverse. It is holed and maroon in color.

Winford Nowell bought another roll of New Hampshire toll road tokens and found more of the NH 720 C and D, both bright and shiny. It would appear, he adds, that they reordered the 720 D but someone pulled a 720 C die from the shelf and those got mixed in. Makes sense to me.

George Osborne asks that I put a suggestion in The Fare Box that members should respond promptly when someone orders tokens from you, especially in response to an ad you run. This really should be done within a week after you get the letter, don't you think?

AUCTION: ED DRENSKI'S TRANSPORTATION TOKEN COLLECTION OF ABOUT 2,363 PIECES WHICH INCLUDES 467 VARIETIES BY GODSOE'S BOOK WITH A CAT. VALUE OF \$1,218.00. Tokens are mounted in 2x2 holders, inserted in 35mm photo slide aluminum frames, inserted in Argus canisters. Included are 105 Argus canisters able to hold 2,780 tokens with 22 Kodak canisters able to hold 880 tokens. This one-lot auction includes a shelf to hold canisters. Shipping weight about 110 lbs. \$1,356 invested. Request free list of tokens with catalogue values.

LARRY FREEMAN - 6500 ELY VISTA DR. - PARMA, OH 44129-6149.
Phone 440-845-8452.

FOR SALE: CATALOGUES BY KENNETH SMITH, including his foreign transportation token catalogues and his amusement token catalogues. Also lots of medals & tokens. Write for details. = KIRK S. SMITH - P.O. BOX 8015-214 REDONDO BEACH, CA 90277-8015

I need, and will pay **TOP DOLLAR** for these **HORSECAR TOKENS** for my collection:

1. Winchester City RY Co. KY #970-A;
2. C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE "Real Estate" #540-H;
3. C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE #540-J;
4. UNIDENT G.S.R.W. CO. #52;
5. Ottawa City RY CO. ON #675A;
6. JACKSON TENN. #375-1
(WITHOUT CENTER HOLE);

Robert Rhue
P. O. Box 371437
Denver, CO 80237
303/671-0650

THE NEW ISSUES SERVICE NEEDS YOUR HELP By Bill Garrison

I believe that my efforts to obtain tokens for the New Issues Service began in 1971 with KY 370 H. A visit to the local bus company revealed that they had been using an unlisted school bus token for five or six years. Only 300 of the original order of 500 tokens remained. After some discussion the manager agreed to sell me 200 with the thought that they would shortly discontinue the use of tokens. We got the 200 tokens for \$30.00, a real bargain compared with today's costs.

During the intervening years my business and vacation travels took us to most of the fifty states. I would usually have my Rand-McNally Road Atlas with me on which I had highlighted every town listed in the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue. The first thing I would do after checking into a motel would be to check the yellow pages for the bus company and then call or stop by to see if they were using tokens. So often I would call just at closing time and then would have to try again in the morning. I would have my catalogue with me or occasionally the tokens from my collection for that particular town. This would usually spark an interest in the people at the bus company.

A good example is Salt Lake City, UT 750 V, listed this September. The receptionist at UTA was amazed that over the years 21 tokens had been used in Salt Lake. She called her supervisor to see the collection. Before long there were ten UTA employees learning about THEIR tokens. At that point they realized that I was a serious collector, and agreed to sell me 225 of UT 750 V, which had not yet been placed in use.

There must be a thousand "undiscovered" tokens out there. Going to and returning from this year's AVA convention I found new issues in Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, 3 in Missoula and one in Janesville, WI. On a subsequent trip to Minnesota about six more were found. All but the Janesville were obtained for NIS. The Janesville token is restricted for use by Medicare patients and the company reluctantly sold me only ten. A few years ago I took a week and drove around Michigan finding 3 new issues, 30 of which were obtained for NIS. In 1999 I repeated the trip and came up with about a dozen more.

The one drawback in becoming the AVA's "unofficial token obtainer" is that many members think of me as such, and occasionally give me leads on tokens being used in their own backyards or ones that they could obtain themselves.

It is sometimes frustrating and time consuming to call the transit operators, telling them about the AVA and explaining why I want to buy 225 of their tokens. I usually mildly attempt to buy the tokens at a reduced rate, but more often than not pay full fare. There have been times when a company wanted the ride value of the token plus the cost of making them. In such cases I simply refuse. The frustration comes from companies who agree to sell us the tokens but even after receiving payment and a postage paid shipping container still drag their feet. By actual count I made 20 phone calls and wrote 8 letters before getting Bloomington, MN 105 A and B. With Napa, CA, it was 8 letters and 12 phone calls over a 3½ year period. Then they sent me CA 540 C, while it was F,G, and H, that I had been trying to obtain.

A few AVA members have been very helpful in obtaining tokens for NIS or in providing leads. Louis Crawford's use of the internet has been exceptionally helpful. At present I have leads on 51 potential NIS tokens. Even if I spent full time at it (which I don't plan to do), it would be months before I could catch up. Then there is the cost of obtaining numerous NIS supplies at the same time. I estimate that last month I had about \$4,000.00 tied up on NIS acquisitions.

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THE NIS SERVICE NEEDS YOUR HELP. I urge you to check with your nearby transit operators to see if they may be using a token of which we are unaware. If so, first check with Bill Sowell (760-322-8765) or e-mail wasltoo@aol.com to see that someone else has not already gotten that particular token. Then get 225 and send them by insured mail to Bill Sowell. He will promptly reimburse you for the cost of the tokens plus shipping. In some cases, if you are short of cash, Bill will probably advance you the money.

INTERESTING "TOKENS" FROM PENNSYLVANIA'S OHIO PYLE STATE PARK By Louis Crawford

The Youghiogheny River rises in the mountains of extreme western Maryland and flows roughly northward, joining the Monongahela River at McKeesport. As the river crosses the mountainous terrain of southwestern Pennsylvania it has cut a narrow gorge which has become one of the most popular whitewater rafting and canoeing areas in the country.

A particular portion of this river, with lush vegetation and swiftly flowing water is the setting for Ohio Pyle State Park. A small waterfall in this park, Ohio Pyle Falls, divides the Youghiogheny River into two parts. One is known as the "Middle Yough," a nine-mile segment used for canoeing, and the other is the "Lower Yough," a 7½ mile stretch popular for rafting and kayaking as well as canoeing.

Boaters traversing the entire Lower Yough must provide their own transportation to return from the take-out point to the launch area. However, there is a shorter (approximately 1½ mile segment) boaters can use. Since there is not a parking area at the end of this stretch, the park has contracted with a local bus company to provide a shuttle bus to bring them and their equipment back to the parking area. Boaters must purchase "tokens" for \$2.50 to use this shuttle service.

However, these are not tokens in the true sense of the word. They resemble baggage I.D. straps with a tab and hole, a design that allows the customer to attach the token to him or herself or to the equipment to prevent loss while navigating the stream. These plastic tags are inscribed "E.W. COLBORN INC. TOURS GARAGE & BUS SERVICE MILL RUN, PA. 15464 (412)455-2646" The back is blank. Two different tabs are known, one in red and one in purple. Both have gold lettering but in different arrangements.

Because of the design of these items, it is unlikely that they would qualify for listing in the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue. They are interesting items, nevertheless, and some collectors may wish to add them to their holdings.

A NEW SCARCE TOKEN FROM LITTLE FALLS By Bill Garrison

A few weeks ago Joe Radomski called to say that his MN 460 A (listed July 2000) had black lettering. I called my contact at MORR TRANS to inquire, and was told that when the shipment of tokens was received from the manufacturer, all 5 tokens had black letters. This was fine except that the contrast on the blue token was poor. The tokens were used briefly while blue tokens with white letters were ordered. The manufacturer asked that the original order be disposed of. My contact at MORR TRANS took a handful home for her three small children to play with. The rest were disposed of by my contacts manager.

Just a few of them have been rescued.

TOTALLY KID CAROUSEL

Riverbank State Park is unusual in that it was the first park to be built on top of a sewage treatment plant. This was done as part of a concession to the community for allowing the treatment plant to be located within its confines. Although the park was initially planned in 1970, but due to construction delays-many caused by politics-it was not completed until 1993 at a cost of \$129 million.

Riverbank is a multi-level landscaped facility covering 28 acres situated on a half-mile long platform. Riverbank has spectacular views of the river, New Jersey, and the George Washington Bridge. Park facilities include swimming pools (indoor and outdoor), a running track, a football/soccer field, basketball and tennis courts, a baseball field, a playground, a skating rink (both ice skating and roller skating), and a picnic area. The park offers numerous courses, extensive equipment, and cultural and recreational programs for all ages and abilities.

Although a carousel was included in the initial plans, it had not been constructed when the park opened. However, a little round house intended to be a place for a carousel was built. Eventually, a local artist named Milo Mottola was invited to send photographs of his artwork to the Percent for Arts, a program of the New York Department of Cultural Affairs which was looking for an artist to build a carousel for the park. After looking at the work of hundreds of artists they invited ten, including Mottola, to create detailed plans of how they would build a carousel.

Since the budget was only enough money for a small, simple, plain carousel original plans called for every figure was to be the same. Despite this obstacle, Mottola took a trip to Paris and looked at all the carousels in that city. He also went to the Paris flea market and bought some old ornaments that he could use on his carousel. But he knew that making figures in his own art style would be too elaborate-the carousel would be too expensive to make. Then, one sunny afternoon when he was making drawings in his sketchbook and visiting with some friends, he saw his young friend Julia make a drawing of a carousel horse. An idea came to him. "Kids are sloppy!" he thought. "I can use their drawings to make bulbous, lumpy carousel figures that would be funny and charming and wonderful, too." So, working with several young children, he made seven models based on their drawings to show the Percent for Arts committee. The committee reviewed all the proposals and decided to award the commission to Mottola.

In an effort to get good drawings from the children, Mottola wrote to all the schools in the neighborhood and invited the first and second grade classes to participate in workshops with him. He built little drawing stations and made collages of images of many different kinds of animals and insects so that the children would have inspiration for their drawings. He was surprised when only a few of the schools wanted to participate in the workshops, but he made a sign and put it up at the park. After holding a number of workshops, Mottola had collected over a thousand drawings. Then came the hard part...he had to choose which drawings to use for the carousel figures. Each animal not only had to look great, but since a three-dimensional figures would be sculpted exactly like the original drawings, there had to be a flat spot where a rider could sit. Additionally, there couldn't be any sharp or dangerous corners that could potentially cause injury. On top of that, all the figures had to fit nicely together around the carousel, so that they could move up and down and still have plenty of room between all the parts.

Thirty-six drawings were finally chosen, constituting quite a menagerie. There was a bright yellow horse, a camel, a moose, a zebra with plaid legs, a bull, a tiger, a cat, two lions, two deer, a monkey, a bat, a rabbit, a skunk, a kangaroo, an elephant, a giraffe, and a Chihuahua. There was an alligator, an octopus, a fish, a whale, a swordfish, a frog, a lobster, snail, a dragon, a T-Rex, two spiders, a lizard, a flamingo, a

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peacock, and a fox-like creature called a slicker. Each child who submitted a winning design received a savings bond and would have their signatures carved into the oak floor of the carousel and filled with colored resin. They also would get a lifetime pass for free rides on the carousel.

Each animal was individually hand-sculpted by Mottola with the help of some other artists from the neighborhood. Foam and fiberglass were added to wood and metal frames, then the animals were painted prior to the application of several coats of varnish. At this time the crew worked on assembling many of the ornaments that decorate and cover mechanism parts. Also, another young artist from the community was asked to draw a crown to decorate twelve of the frames that encircle the outside rounding boards of the carousel. Three different crowns were chosen for the carousel and a fourth was selected to be used on the wooden ride token.

Fabiricon Carousel Company was contracted to make the mechanical parts for the carousel and the framework that holds all the parts together.

September 12, 1997, the day of the dedication of the Totally Kid Carousel, was a beautiful early fall day at Riverbank State Park. Yellow banners proclaimed the opening of the carousel and the crowd gathered: kid artists and their parents, park officials, and a number of politicians. The carousel was wrapped in lavender paper with a brilliant pink ribbon. Many officials spoke, including the Parks Commissioner and the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection. The carousel was also mentioned on CNN, network television news, local television news, and in the *New York Times*. The kid artists had gathered beside the stage and when his or her name was announced, each received their lifetime pass. Then the artists were invited to tear the wrapping off the gazebo.

The the artists boarded for the first ride and the carousel began to spin. Unfortunately, the fun only lasted a little while; there was a mechanical problem and the carousel had to be stopped. After months of dispute between government agencies and Fabiricon, repairs were finally completed. This was follow by several more months of negotiations as to the type and extent of testing to be performed to ensure the carousel would operate safely.

Brian King, an engineer who goes all over the world inspecting amusement park rides was brought in. King had helped write the rules for amusement park ride safety that all amusement parks in the United States must follow. King researched the carousel and designed a battery of tests which included placement of sandbags to simulate the weight of riders and parents standing next to the animals. After several rounds of testing, officials finally granted final approval for operation. Finally, on Fourth of July weekend 1999, the carousel finally reopened.

The carousel was open Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tokens were sold for fifty cents at the skating rink window; it is hoped that someday there will be a ticket booth nearby. Sadly, the carousel has since experienced more difficulties and has been shut down until at least next summer.

Information for this article was taken primarily from the web site <http://www.hoopla.org/Carousel>. The web site contains many pictures of the construction of the carousel and a picture of each animal. Information was also provided by Chris O'Connor, and I thank him for his assistance in trying to obtain a supply of the tokens for NIS.

- Louis Crawford

NOTES ON THE TRANSPORTATION TOKENS OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY

By: Larry Kemper

Additional information is now available on bus lines that operated in northern Kentucky. Most of this is available from the April-June 1999 MOTOR COACH AGE. This contains an article by Terry W. Lehmann and Earl W. Clark, Jr.

The Ryle's Auto Bus Line token was listed in the July 1994 supplement to the Atwood-Coffee Catalogue. Advance information on this token, KY250F, was given in Volume Two, History and Encyclopedia of Transportation Tokens issued in 1984. Obviously, it is a transportation token but the only record that could be found in the Erlanger, KY library was that a Henry Ryle operated a livery stable in Erlanger and ran a horse-drawn bus from the Erlanger Southern Railroad station to Burlington, KY. The article by Lehmann and Clark indicates that this busline went from the end of the Ft. Mitchell carline at Dixie Highway and Orphanage Road in Ft. Mitchell to Crescent Springs and Villa Madonna Academy. The exact date is not given but in 1927 a Studebaker 15-passenger bus was obtained for this line. The Ryle busline was sold to the High Line but this company did not last till the end of World War II.

Northern Kentucky Transit (KY200A) started in 1922 and operated from Dayton, through Bellevue to Cincinnati via the L&N bridge. The line was sold in 1930.

Ludlow Transit Co. (KY520A and B) was started in 1927 and was bought by the Green Line (C, N & C Railway) on February 5, 1937

Cold Spring Bus Company (KY135A) was formed in 1931. It had a four mile route from Cold Spring to the end of the Ft. Thomas carline. The Dixie Traction Company (see KY250A through E) purchased this operation on July 25, 1940

The Clifton-Patterson bus (KY640B) was started in late 1922. It ran from the city of Clifton (now part of Newport and referred to as South Newport) to the Andrew Steel mill on Patterson Street in Newport. Clifton was the home of many persons of Italian descent and many worked at the steel mill in Newport. The date of the end of this service is not listed; but it was certainly gone by 1936 when the Green Line started Line 20, Newport South. There may be only two of the Clifton-Patterson tokens in the hands of Collectors.

Black Diamond Stages, Inc (KY270A, B, C) was formed in 1929 to connect Ross, Melbourne, Silver Grove and Brent with Ft. Thomas. In 1930, it began operation into Cincinnati. The Green Line (C, N & C Railway) purchased this line on February 14, 1940

The 16mm tokens of the Green Line, C, N & C Ry. Co.) were first used on July 9, 1933. The price was 2 for 15 cents. After the cities in Kentucky finally settled their differences with the Green Line, the tokens went down to 4 for 25 cents. For a short time, the interstate fare from Bellevue and Dayton, KY. was 7½¢ while the rest of the system had a 6½¢ fare. How this was done is not known, the newspapers do not report the operating procedure. The Kentucky Post reported that the 7½¢ tokens could be redeemed at 7½¢ until the lower fare went into effect on October 27, 1935. The reason for this could be that they did not change the color of the token, or possibly, it was the usual arrogant attitude of a streetcar company. In 1951, the tokens went to 2 for 25¢

NOVEMBER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE

By Harold V. Ford

ALABAMA

Gadsden 370 (Reported by Louis Crawford)

GADSDEN TRANSPORTATION SERVICES/FEDERAL TRANSIT
ADMINISTRATION/CITY OF GADSDEN ALABAMA/FOUNDED
1845 (in CITY SEAL)

A A 25 Sd (rubber-tired trolley) (anodized green) (4/00) \$0.25

Tuscaloosa 800 (Reported by Bill Sowell)

THE TUSCALOOSA/TROLLEY/GOOD FOR/ONE FARE/ RWM

G A 29 Sd Token (above eagle)/RWM (* 10/23/00) 1.00

MINNESOTA

Cambridge 148 (Relisting of tokens reported 7/00, and adding new ones)

CHISAGO COUNTY/HEARTLAND EXPRESS/
(PEOPLE IN BUS WINDOWS)

A Py Oc Sd In-City/One-Way (red printing) (37mm) (Vars:) 1.00

a. On Rev. "In-City" is 20mm 1.00

b. " " 17mm 1.00

B Pw Oc Sd County-Wide/One-Way (purple printing) (37mm) 1.50

C Pr 29 Sd Senior/Dining/Fare (gold printing) .50

D Pr 29 Sd Nutrition " .50

E Py Oc Sd Special/In-City/One-Way/Fare (red printing) (37mm) 1.00

F Pw Oc Sd In-County/One-Way (Purple printing) (37mm) 1.50

ISANTI COUNTY/HEARTLAND EXPRESS/
(PEOPLE IN BUS WINDOWS)

G Pp 41 Sd In-City/One-Way (blue printing) 1.00

H Pb 41 Sd County-Wide/One-Way (white printing) 1.50

I Pg 29 Sd Senior/Dining (gold printing) .50

J Pg 29 Sd Nutrition " .50

K Pe Oc Sd Special/In-City/One-Way/Fare (silver printing) (37mm) .75

L Pw Oc Sd Special/County-Wide/One-Way/Fare (red printing) (37mm) 1.50

OHIO

Dayton 230 (Reported by Louis Crawford & Irwin Reuben)

MIAMI VALLEY RTA/25 YEARS 1997/ RWM

AK WM 23 Sd Celebrating/25 Years of Service/Miami/Valley/RTA .80

AL WM 16 Sd (incuse in a logo) .50

WASHINGTON

Snohomish 820 (Reported by Louis Crawford, and ex-Unidentified #58)

JOHN CARLO/SNOHOMISH/WASH.

A o A 24 Sd Good For/1/Ride 75.00

JOHN CARLO GOOD FOR ONE TRIP ON BUS

B o WM 26 Sd (same as obverse) 50.00

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

The Gadsden, AL, trolley began operations January 2, 2000, and tokens were issued several months later. It currently has three 60-minute routes six days a week. Louis Crawford obtained a supply for the New Issues Service.

The Tuscaloosa trolley token is used for a park and ride program for University of Alabama football games at Bryant Denny Stadium. The cash fare is \$1.00, but tokens are sold in quantities for 50¢ each to local businesses, etc., for distribution. The local authority would only sell tokens locally, so Louis Crawford went in person to Tuscaloosa to obtain a supply for our N.I.S. members.

Bill Garrison has been in contact with the Chisago-Isanti County Heartland Express in Cambridge, MN, since last summer in an attempt to secure tokens for our N.I.S. It took some time for the local authority to accumulate quantities returned through bus fare boxes. N.I.S. members will receive most listings. Unfortunately a few were in very short supply. Chisago and Isanti operate their own separate system and have their own tokens.

Dayton, OH 230 AK is an adult fare; 230 AL is a special fare which we assume is for students, elderly, and handicapped. Irwin Reuben, our local contact, obtained supplies for the New Issues Service.

Louis Crawford recently picked up the Snohomish, WA, token which we list as WA 820 A. We assume that Unidentified #58 is from the same location, so we are relisting it as 820 B. Unfortunately the AVA files lack a picture or rubbing of the second listing and the three known owners of record (J.D. Ferguson, Jim Curto, and Byron Johnson) are all deceased. So we don't know where to obtain a rubbing in order to put slash marks in the listing.

We suspect that Williamsburg County Transit of Kingstree, SC, might have not one but two new unlisted tokens. The local authority will not sell any tokens via mail even though offered several times the \$2.50 value. So maybe John Coffee could take the southern route west next summer and obtain some of them directly from the source.

Joe Radomski reports the Towpath Trolley in Lockport, NY, uses a woodnik for half fare \$2.00, two are used for full fare. It is Wi 51 Sd HISTORIC LOCKPORT TOWPATH TROLLEY 2000 (TROLLEY)//175th Anniversary of the Erie Canal. Unfortunately it lacks adequate verbiage (wording that it's good for a ride) to be listable. Joe reports a new token will be used next year and will check it out when this seasonal operation resumes next summer.

THE CAR WASH TOKEN NEW ISSUES SERVICE

The Car Wash Token New Issues Service is off the ground and flying. Those who have sent me check deposits or new CWT to start their accounts have had their car wash tokens sent to them. The first CWT mailing contained 16 new car wash tokens, value \$18.60. I am in need of 15 each of any new CWT issues that have not been listed. Keep those new issues coming!

Anyone who is interested in becoming a new CWTNIS member needs to send me a deposit of at least \$25 or tokens amount to the same value or more. I also have credited postage to those who have sent me tokens for CWTNIS. There is room for many to become members of CWTNIS. Send your membership deposit and it should be made payable to "J. Roger Bolz" at 6120 Kearney Ave. - Lincoln, NE 68507-1239, or phone me at 402-466-7328. Please do not made checks payable to CWTNIS.

Please make sure you report new issues to Harold Ford for listing, and I wish to thank those who have already sent me tokens for the CWTNIS.

- J. Roger Bolz

NOTE TO THOSE WHO ORDERED MAINE 1000 E

I received more orders than I expected, so tokens ran out. I have ordered more, and am hoping they will arrive in a few more days. So if you ordered and haven't received the token yet, be patient. I'm holding your order till they get here. (I never thought so many would want it!)

- J.C.

SUPPLEMENT #35 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

By Harold V. Ford

ARIZONA

Cave Creek 105 (ex AZ 640 W)
BLACK MOUNTAIN CAR WASH
A Z 25 Sd (M logo with front of car) hm (WM-plated) .50

Mesa 440
POWER WASH MESA, ARIZONA POWER & UNIVERSITY
L Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh .50

Phoenix 640
WEISS GUYS CAR WASH rwm (CARTOON OF 4 GUYS WASHING A CAR)
WEISS GUYS JAY JERRY HOWIE ROLAND
X WM 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind) .50
APCO AUTO PARTS SUPER CAR WASH 2900 E. THOMAS PHOENIX ARIZONA
(incuse)
Y o B 23 Sd (blank) 3.50

ILLINOIS

Hillside 417
QUICK E WASH 4044 W WASHINGTON BLVD HILLSIDE, IL 60162 hh
A Bz 25 Sd (cartoon auto facing left)(stars) .50

Mt. Vernon 605
SOAPY JOE'S 28th & VETERAN DR MT VERNON, IL
B Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double Your Dirt
Back hh .50

Urbana 855
THE WASH WORKS URBANA, ILL. (ANTIQUE CAR)
B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value vb (crown) .50

Washington 880
JH AUTOMATIC CAR WASH
B B 23 Sd oso (2 slots)(WM-plated) 2.50

INDIANA

Highland 410
TOUCHLESS CAR & VAN TURBOWASH HIGHLAND IN.
E Bz 25 Sd Double Wash 3.00

Valparaiso 920
ZOOM CLEAN CAR WASH rwm
B Bz 29 Sd Car Wash Token (racing car trailing flames) 3.50

Vincennes 930 (ex Unid 327)
J & R AUTOMATIC AUTO WASH
A o Pr 23 Sd Good For One Car Wash (white lettering) 3.50

IOWA

Des Moines 300
CAR WASH PLUS EAST EUCLID AND DELAWARE DES MOINES IOWA
(ANTIQUE CAR)
J Bz 25 Sd Good For One Self Service Cycle No Cash Value One 1 hh .50

MISSOURI

Blue Springs 45

PRO-LUBE OF AMERICA INC. 816-224-2220 831 N. WOODS CHAPEL
ROAD BLUE SPRINGS, MO

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm .50

Columbia 230 (relisting 230 A, adding B and C)

NIFONG-CONVENIENCE-CENTER RT.AC & HWY 63 SOUTH COLUMBIA MO rwm

A Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token (antique car) 2.00

NIFONG-CONVENIENCE-CENTER RT.AC & HWY 63 SOUTH COLUMBIA MO
EST. 1990 rwm

B Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token (antique car) 2.00

C Bz 29 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) 2.00

Fulton 350 (relisting 350 A, adding B)

BOBS' CAR WASH INC. TRUCK BAY FULTON, MO rwm

A WM 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind) 2.50

BOBS' CAR WASH INC. AUTOMATIC FULTON, MO rwm

B WM 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind) 1.00

KING-CAL CAR WASH (CROWN)

C Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token hh (antique car) 1.00

St. Louis 910 (ex Unid 324 & 456)

HYDRO 5 CARWASH SYSTEMS rwm

J Bz 29 Sd Hydro 5 Carwash Systems 2.00

K Bz 29 Sd " " " " (WM-plated) 2.00

NEW MEXICO

Belen 80

JAY'S (inside SUNBURST)

A B 29 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value vb (crown) 1.50

Farmington 240

BLAST OFF CAR WASH rwm (TRUCK, CAR, VAN WITH HORIZ. LINES
BEHIND)

C Bz 23 Sd No Cash Value rwm 2.50

Los Lunas 465

TRIPLE T SATISFACITON GUARANTEED OR DOUBLE YOUR DIRT BACK rwm

A Bz 23 Sd Carwash Token rwm (antique car) 2.50

Shiprock 840

SHIPROCK POWER WASH STATE OF THE ART EQUIPMENT (ANTIQUE CAR)

A o Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hh 1.50

PENNSYLVANIA

Bristol 125

MAGIC TOUCH CAR WASH (MAN WASHING CAR)

D Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm .50

Dunmore 300

G & S CARWASHES INC (cartoon auto)

A Bz 25 Sd No Cash Value hh .50

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-26 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

ILLINOIS (Reported by L Crawford)

CHAMPAIGN-3135

CITY OF CHAMPAIGN / C / (building)

B B 22 Sd Campustown / No / Cash / Value / Parking .50

NEW JERSEY

LINDEN-3425

CITY OF LINDEN / RWM / PARKING TOKEN NEW JERSEY (tree)

D B 20 Sd Token (eagle surrounded by stars) 2.50

PTMS

GROUP-3090

FEDERAL / APD / NOVI, MICH.

D Bz 25 Sd Good For / Parking / Only .35

CANADA

NEWFOUNDLAND (reported by M Simon)

ST JOHN'S-3725

M. U. N. / PARKING / TOKEN (Memorial University of Newfoundland)

B B 25 Sd (blank) 1.50

(O:Left leg of M points down to...)

a. (between P-A)

b. (left leg of A)

c. (top of A)

C B 25 Ch (blank) 1.50

(O:Left leg of M points down to...)

a. (between P-A)

b. (left leg of A)

c. (top of A)

ONTARIO

WINDSOR-3950

CITY OF WINDSOR / PARKING / AUTHORITY

C B 24 Sd (same as obverse) .35

= ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS =

GA-3060-C:correct to read:WM plating over K plating over WM.

NFD-3725:change as relisted above.

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

The Champaign tokens were put into use March of this year. The meters, which are electronic, will carry a decal to announce to the public their use. Merchants in the Campustown district will distribute the tokens to patrons.

Irwin Reuben picked up on the Linden, NJ piece. I was unaware that a reorder had been made with the obvious changes.

Nothing is known concerning the new town on the PTMS item.

The ONTARIO piece is identical to B except minus the mintmark.

Marvin Simon determined the entire history of the Newfoundland listings. As is obvious, there were three different orders for the tokens. They were in use during the mid 90's. Electronic meters were installed but the solid tokens would not register correctly. Holed tokens did the job.

I was looking over the GA-3060 Emory pieces when I noted that C had an unusually high shine. Being curious, I wondered if the metal was actually WM. Imagine my surprise as I discovered that the token had actually been plated over twice.

Club Soda in Fort Wayne, IN is using PTMS-3080-Gc.

When you order the FIFTH EDITION direct from me at \$42 postpaid, I'll also send a copy of the UP-DATE of all new tokens listed since its publication.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

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25 SALE	30 TRADE	40 WANTED
<p>[MO] 140-D at cat. For sale at twice cat.: [CO] 280-E; [MI] 470-D, E; [MI] 475-A-thru E; 670-B thru G; [MN] 40-B; [MO] 910-Y; [ND] 260-O, P; [OH] 870-B thru E; [PA] 750-AS; [WI] 300-E. Send 55c SASE for my sale list of 3300 different TT's.</p> <p>Bill Garrison 9505 Normandy Avenue Morton Grove IL 60053-1337</p>	<p>Want transportation tokens in trade for over 1300 cards, mostly basketball, a few football, baseball and some racing. Brand names, upper deck, stadium, topps, edge, skybox. 28 "edge" thick hard plastic. Know nothing about them. Trade for best offer, preferably TT's, but will take tax or car wash tokens.</p> <p>Gilbert E. Vogel 1010 Douglas C-4 Longview WA 98632-</p>	<p>Will pay \$30.00 each for [TN] 140-A and 430-W in good or better condition.</p> <p>Jim Medd 110 Braddock Street Crossville TN 38555-0548</p>
<p>For sale plus postage: [IL] 130-D; [IA] 110-M; 150-E; [MO] 910-OI; [WI] 220-E \$2.50 ea; [PA] 945-A; 725-K; [NY] 630-AZ, BE, BI; [IL] 150-Z 90c each; [LA] 670-N; [MA] 135-C; [NY] 630-AT, AS 60c each.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>	<p>Six pages of TT's for large 55c SASE.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>	<p>Wanted for my collection: [MI] 680-A, B, C, D and T. Also other rare Michigan. Will pay top price.</p> <p>Jerry Fitzpatrick 3930 Harbor Point Dr. Muskegon MI 49441-4682</p>
<p>30 TRADE</p>	<p>40 WANTED</p>	<p>Tickets, timetables, passes, cash fare receipts, etc. from railroad, trolley, stage, ferry, steamship, omnibus, tollroad, horse RR, bridge, etc. Pre=1940 only. One item or an entire collection. \$919 468=5510.</p> <p>Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>
<p>[AK] 300-F; [IL] 150-W; [NE] 540-O; [PA] 765-J, S. Trade these and others for Kentucky tokens (all types) needed. Will also consider Southern State Chauffeur badges, nice celluloid pictorial pocket advertising mirrors and saloon/military/lumber tokens (any state) of interest.</p> <p>Jerome Schaeper Jr 705 Philadelphia Str. Covington KY 41011-1252</p>	<p>Michigan TT's, PT's and car wash tokens. E-mail: gcscouter@hotmail.com</p> <p>Jim Griffis 28063 Sheridan Garden City MI 48135-3180</p>	<p>[PA] 65-E thru J, P. I'll pay, at least, 3 times catalogue for nice specimens. Phone: (724) 846-8332.</p> <p>Gerald S. Riedel 2002 Nippert Avenue Beaver Falls PA 15010-1704</p>
	<p>TT's that weren't sent out by NIS. I feel I might have a few new issues that were not sent out by NIS, to trade for them.</p> <p>Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718</p>	<p>Carson City NV 1977 27th AVA convention "Good For One Banquet" token.</p> <p>Bill Boncek 5404 Springfield Dr. Raleigh NC 27609-4610</p>

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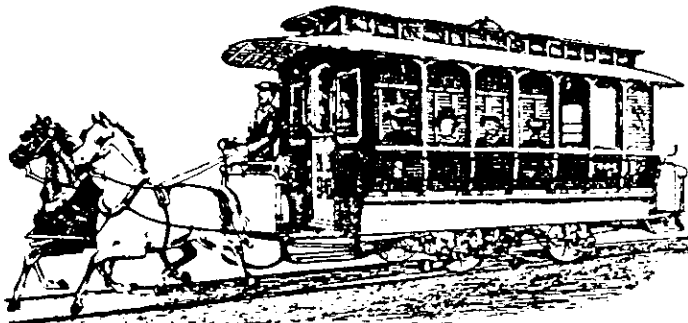
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January 6. My students are all away on vacation and I had difficulty lining up assistance for this issue, which is why it's a bit tardy. Meanwhile, a final word about dues payment. Most of our members have paid their \$20 annual dues for year 2001 by now (\$23 Canada, \$30 overseas). If you are one of the few who have not, please do so now. This is the last issue you will receive if your dues are not paid up in the next couple of weeks. Send dues to Treasurer Joel Reznick at P.O. Box 116 - Wheeling, IL 60090-0116.

To those of you who ordered ME 1000 E from me, I still haven't received a new supply. But they've confirmed my order, and I am hoping the tokens will be here presently and I shall then send your token to you. Patience.

Under Broad Ford, PA, old catalogues listed 4 black vulcanites: one had a blank reverse, the other 3 were 3¢, 5¢, and 15¢. As no one we could find had ever seen the blank one, or the 5¢ ones, we removed these from the catalogue. Just last month the long missing 5¢ denomination turned up on e-bay, and sold for something over \$600 I am told. If the buyer will send a rubbing, we'll list it. But it is ironic that these tokens are almost certainly not from Broad Ford. Roland Atwood got the 3¢ and 15¢ ones from a Philadelphia coin dealer. The two of them brought out a map, found a town with the initials B.F., and guessed the tokens were from there. Today this would hardly constitute sufficient reason to list them, especially as no one can tell me what the P.C. part of the name stands for.

Joe Studebaker reports two woodniks being used in Sumter, SC. Both have TUIT on reverse. On obverse they have "One Free Ride RTA 775-9347 City or Shaw Routes Only". One has all black printing, one has RTA in purple. We're trying to get supplies for our N.I.S.

Last month Bill Sowell reported a 31mm green plastic token inscribed "Tacoma Suburban Lines Inc. Tacoma - Dupont". I remember seeing their buses some years back. Inquiry has been made, and we have a report the token was used in the late 1960's or early 1970's. The firm is now out of business.

Nice article in this issue on the Monongahela Bridge tokens by Bill Adams. In the letter accompanying the article he wrote "The man I got these tokens from told me they were his grandfather's, who worked for the P&LE RR, and used these tokens to cross over the Monongahela Bridge (now known as the Smithfield Street Bridge)."



TRANSPORTATION TOKENS THAT ADVERTISE CIGARS

By John Coffee

When I was a kid, my father always told me that when he was a kid, "a cigar was a man's smoke." The few people who smoked cigarettes back in those days were women. That all changed with World War I, when cigarettes were the only readily available smoke for soldiers in Europe.

Accordingly it seems appropriate that the few transportation tokens that mention cigars would be those issued by livery stable horsedrawn hack lines. Livery stables were hangouts for men. One did not find women thereabouts, if only because the fragrance of most livery stables, especially on hot days, was rather penetrating.

I can think of only eight transportation tokens, all issued by hack lines, that advertise cigars. All of them are extremely rare: four from Minnesota, two from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and two from Ontario (all 8 from cold climates!). I have only two of them myself.

From Manistique, MI, we have two tokens issued by the Osswinmakee Hotel Bus-line, proclaiming the virtues of the "No Limit" Cigar, "the best 10¢ cigar on the market." The MI 595 E omits the word "cigar" on the reverse, and I suspect this is an error, which was corrected by 595 D.

In Alexandria, MN, the Kent & Son Bus Line advertises 3 different cigars, the "Cabinet," the "International," and the "Iona," all 10¢ cigars sold by the Twin City Cigar Co. of Minneapolis. In Appleton, MN, A. McMillen's Bus Line advertises another cigar offered by that same Twin City Cigar Co., the "American Opera Cigar." In Montevideo, MN, Faley & Pickle's Riverside Buss Line proclaims the virtues of the "Deacon" cigar distributed by the Paris-Morton Co., and sold at only 3-25¢ or "10¢ St." which I presume to mean "10¢ straight." Finally, A.E. Randall's Bus Line of Ortonville, MN, has approximately the same reverse as the Appleton token, advertising the American Opera Cigar. The Hotel Bedford Buss Line of Goderich, Ontario, has 2 different tokens, one each advertising "JAP CIGARS," and the "EL CIELO" cigar.

I imagine there are a few more of these old cigar tokens waiting to be discovered, and I hope I'm the person who finds them. They're fascinating bits of history, especially in these latter days when smoking tobacco has become almost a forbidden pleasure.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN THE FARE BOX

An article by Quincy A. Laflin, reprinted from the January 1951 Fare Box

August 2nd my wife Isabel said to me "Let's go to Duluth and visit my old girl friend." I said OK and off we went. Upon our arrival there and a lot of unnecessary traveling (we forgot the address) we located my wife's friend. It just so happened they lived 2 blocks from the Duluth Transit Co., so I strolled down and inquired around. After several formalities I wound up talking to the president and his secretary. Both hunted through the safe and all spots likely to hold some of the old tokens from there, to no avail. I left my name and came back to Minneapolis. November 24 [1950] I received a letter from the secretary (who has retired now) that they located the loot I was after under some stuff in the safe. They listed all that was in the batch which included the green cell, orange cell, and horse can from Duluth. To my surprise there were also several Minneapolis and St. Paul horsecars. These tokens were their foreigners, I presume. I certainly lost no time in sending them a check to cover them, all which arrived safely thru the mail and are now in the hands of collectors all over the U.S. It is quite unusual to locate, let alone secure, such a nice lot of tokens, 56 in all, and of that calibre. I also discovered 2 die varieties of the Minneapolis horsecar therein. The excitement and honor of obtaining these tokens and being able to help my friends goes to my wife who instigated the trip and who gets as great a thrill as I do over some old and desirable tokens for the collection.

MONONGAHELA BRIDGE AT PITTSBURGH, PA.

by Bill Adams, AVA # 2034

As you might expect, in the land of the three rivers, the early means of crossing these waterways was by skiff, pirogue, or ferry. The earliest being the ferry operated by Enoch Wright and Andrew Heard near the site of the where they would construct the first bridge over any Pittsburgh river. As population and commerce grew there was more of a need for a bridge. The Jones' Ferry was operated until about 1840, as were larger houseboats that were propelled across the river by blind horses working on a power wheel.

The first Monongahela Bridge was proposed in March 1810 by local leaders and legislators in the state capitol. The War of 1812 slowed things down, and it wasn't until February 1816 that state funds of \$40,000.00 were actually tendered. Lewis Wernwag designed the Burr truss structure that was completed on October 10, 1818. John Shaw, treasurer of the bridge company wanted to hire a gatekeeper to collect the two cent foot passenger tolls, and the 25 cent toll for two horse vehicles. The first toll taker was Wm. H. Hart who continued in that job for 47 years. He was housed in a small apartment above the barn-like portal on the Smithfield Street side in Pittsburgh. Many families paid a fee of \$4.00 per year for the use of the bridge. In 1867 the tolls were reduced by as much as 50%. This was a roofed, wooden bridge that lost two spans due to heavy ice flow on 1-21-1832, and these spans remained down for ten months. The rebuilt bridge was almost completely burnt in just ten minutes time by the great Pittsburgh fire of April 10, 1845.

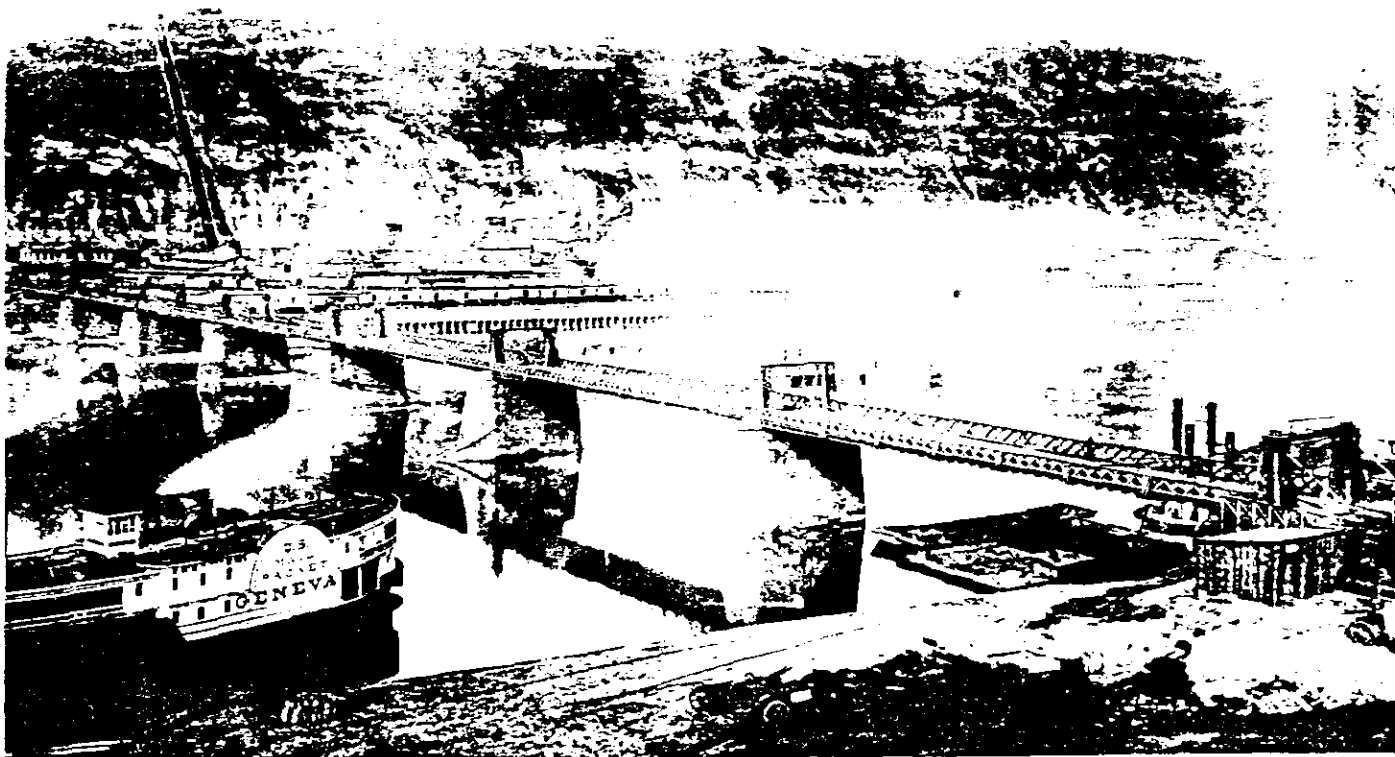
The famous John A. Roebling, who later built the Brooklyn Bridge, was working nearby on the Allegheny aqueduct for the Pennsylvania Canal. After the fire he proposed a "cheap" way to rebuild what would become the second bridge for only \$55,000.00. He created this two lane, two sidewalks, steel suspension bridge in just eight months [June 1845 to February 1846] on the existing piers. In 1859 the Pittsburgh & Birmingham Railway Co. began to run their horsecar line over the bridge to the city for a fee of \$15.00 per month. This was Roebling's first suspension bridge. It was 1500 feet long, and it consisted of eight spans of 188 feet each, supported by eighteen 4 ½ inch diameter cables, from eighteen towers. It carried very heavy traffic to the industrial South Side and lasted from 1846 to 1885.

The third Monongahela bridge was needed, but was delayed by the aftereffects of the Panic of 1873. When in 1880 there were signs of weakness on the existing bridge, engineer Charles Davis was hired to design a new bridge of great beauty. The work was begun in the summer of 1880, but was halted in February when the controlling interest was purchased by David Hostetter. He had a large financial interest in the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie R. R. and wanted this bridge to be able to carry railroad traffic. Within a year Hostetter owned 14,000 shares in the railroad and was Vice President from 1881 to 1887. He made his fortune by selling an alcohol laced patent medicine called "Hostetter's Bitters". He died in 1888 and left an estate worth \$6,635,000.00. Charles Davis was replaced by another engineer, Gustav Lindenthal. Legal roadblocks were thrown up by river men who wanted the bridge made higher to accommodate shipping, especially that going down to Brownsville. Additional sandstone blocks of 100 to 500 cubic yards were quarried in Homewood, Pa. along the P. & L. E. R. R. line, and added to the piers for the superstructure. The new bridge was built in 1883 and became totally operational in 1885. This was a steel structure that was the chief approach to the P. & L. E. terminal. This bridge required some widening in 1889 and again in 1911. It was curiously noted that each of the designers of these three bridges was born and schooled in Germany.

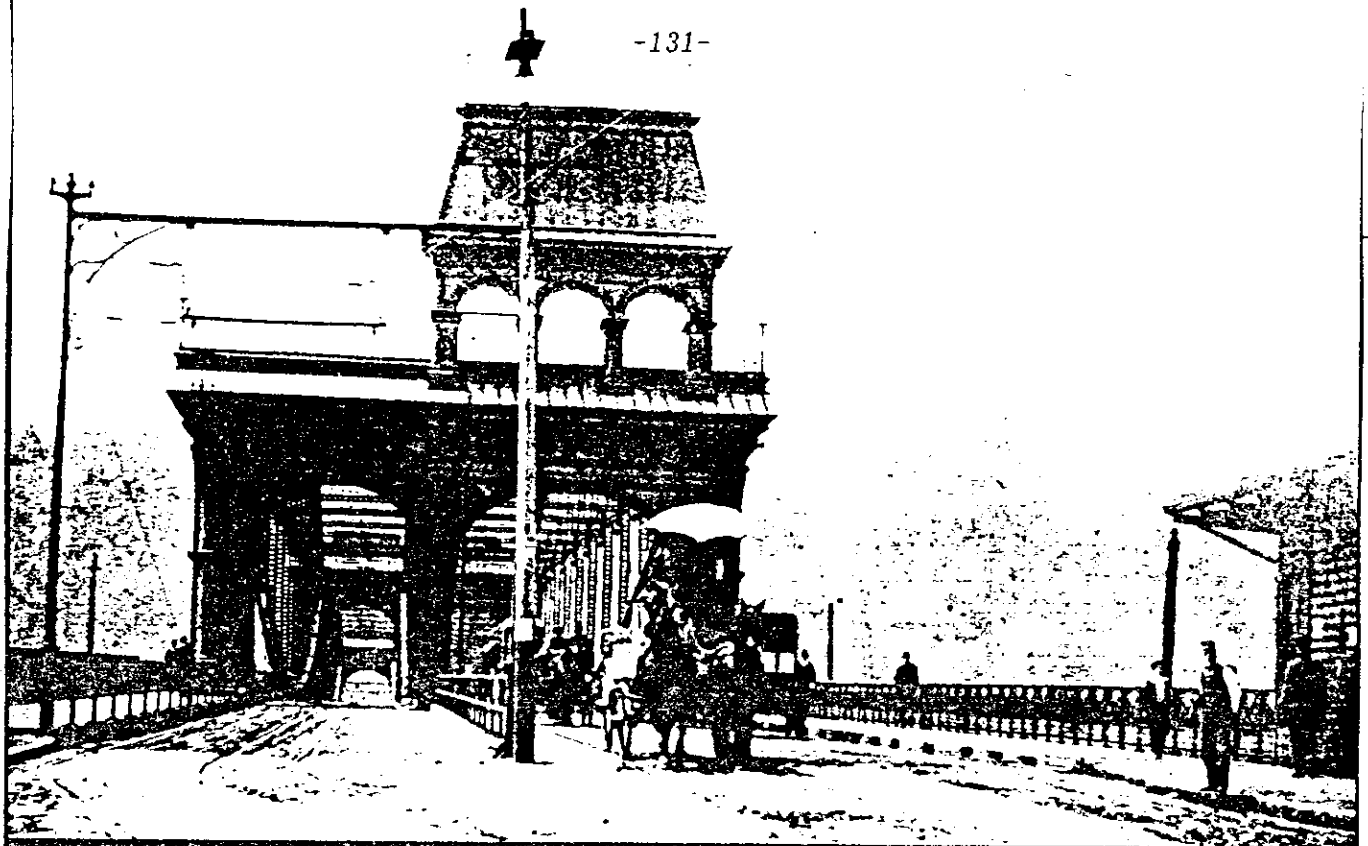
Rising 500 feet on the south shore opposite the Golden Triangle is Mt. Washington, or as it was called then "Coal Hill". It was between the Mon River and the steep slopes of this hill that the P. & L. E. Railroad built its' immense station. There were iron and glass making facilities along this river bank for a mile that received raw materials and shipped out their finished product by way of river barge and railway. The P. & L. E. built a line from Pittsburgh north to Youngstown, Ohio, and later a link to Connellsville. The railroad got some of the necessary financial backing from the "Economites" of the Harmony Society at Ambridge, Pa. Cargo began to be shipped in 1879. The R. R. track laying engineer was Sebastian Wimmer who was the nephew of Boniface Wimmer, the Abbot of St. Vincent College and Seminary in Latrobe.

The Monongahela Bridge, the lower terminus of the Monongahela Incline and the P. & L. E. station all sat together within the same city block. [See picture of same below] This proved to be a great convenience to pedestrians and for commerce. In a history of the P. & L. E. by Harold H. McLean, there is a monthly expense account of Samuel Rae who paid tolls of 2¢ and 5¢ on August 16, 1878, and another 8¢ on the 28th. This engineer later designed the P.R.R. tunnel under the Hudson River and the Penn Station in New York, before he became president of the great Pennsylvania Railroad.

The middle aged man that sold me these two tokens said that his grandfather lived on Mt. Washington and worked for the railroad. He saved the tokens as a memento of his days of using them on the job. These tokens exhibit both the marking of the Monongahela Bridge Co. [M. B. Co.] and the name of the P. & L. E. R. R. The time frame for usage of these was between 1883 when the railway took over financial control, and 1895 when the bridge was purchased by the city and made toll free. The numerals 1 and 2 on these tokens likely designate "foot passenger" and "vehicle" usage, and not the obvious of 1¢ and 2¢. These tokens had limited use by employees and / or business invitees who got a complimentary passage from the railroad. This is probably the reason that the newly discovered tokens have been so elusive. The new and ornate P. & L. E. station building was completed in 1901 and cost nearly one million dollars. It stands today as a privately owned great restaurant and office building, and is one of the burg's main tourist attractions.



ABOVE—The second Monongahela Bridge (second Smithfield Street) designed by John Roebling 1845. The first P&L&E station is visible at the far left center. Photo c. 1870, courtesy Carnegie Library.



SMITHFIELD STREET BRIDGE
End of the 19th Century



DECEMBER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ATWOOD-COFFEE CATALOGUE
By Harold V. Ford

CALIFORNIA

Roseville 712 (Reported by John Coffee & Chuck Nichols)
GALLERIA AT ROSEVILLE/CAROUSEL TOKEN/HM/(ROSE)
A B 29 Sd Carousel Token/www.galleriaroseville.com/est. 2000/
(carousel horse) (15,000 struck) (* 8/00) \$1.00

INDIANA

Lawrenceville 540 (Reported by Bob Kelley & Larry Kemper)
SOUTHEAST INDIANA TRANSIT/GOOD FOR ONE FARE/Ⓢ /
(MAP OF INDIANA with SEIT (incuse) and SOUTHEAST
INDIANA TRANSIT on top of S ARROW, and small BUS
at s/e corner of map)
B o B 25 Sd Good For/One Ride/1/Ⓢ (5,000 struck) .50
CATCH-A-RIDE/DIVISION OF/(LEAF) LIFE TIME/
RESOURCES
C B 25 Sd Catch-a-Ride/Public Transportation/C.A.R./Token
(15,000 struck) (* 11/00) .50

MASSACHUSETTS

Miscellaneous 1000 (Reported by John Coffee)
MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY/
2000 (superimposed over a big T)
D B 20 Sd Transporting You Into the New Millennium/2000
(superimposed over a big T) (gold plated) (100,000 struck)

MINNESOTA

Little Falls 460 (Reported by Joe Radomski)
MORR TRANS/TOLL FREE/8-877-457-4318/(MAP)
F o Pb 43 Sd (blank) (error: black printing on Obverse) ***

NEW YORK

Utica 905 (Reported by Hal Ford & Joe Radomski)
UTICA/TRANSIT/SENIOR/TOKEN
T Pw 29 Sd (same as obverse) (black printing) .75

NORTH CAROLINA

Charlotte 160 (Reported by Fred Sader)
1891.CHARLOTTE TROLLEY.2001/ONE DOLLAR/(TROLLEY
with verbiage on front and side)
H B 23 Sd Park! Center City/Transit/Onstreet Parking/Trolley/
(crown)/Charlotte SM/RWM (8mm stainless stell center) 1.00
Scotland Neck 750 (Reported by Louis Crawford & Bill Boncek)
CPTA/GOOD FOR ONE RIDE/HOP A RIDE/(FROG LOGO)
A We 39 Sd \$1.00 1.00

TEXAS

Seymour 835 (Reported by Louis Crawford)
CITY TRANSFER/PHONE 10/SEYMOUR,/TEX.
A B 32 Sd (blank) 75.00

VIRGINIA

Virginia Beach 895 (Reported by many, and finally located)

T R T/TROLLEY/RWM

F B 17 Sd Good/For/One/Fare (* 1998) \$0.50

WISCONSIN

Waterloo 915 (Reported by Ed Bawden)

1911 C.W. PARKER CAROUSEL/FIREMENS PARK,
WATERLOO, WI/(CAROUSEL HORSE)

B Pr 38 Sd Ride/Token/No Cash Value/(top of carousel)
(gold printing) .50

PRESENTATION PIECES

BP Sv 39 Sd (NC 160 H without RWM mintmark, reeded & numbered
on edge, struck in .999 silver) (1,000 struck)

NOTES BY HAROLD V. FORD

The Galleria at Roseville is a shopping center. Anchor stores are Macy's, Sears, J.C. Penney, and Nordstrom. The carousel is situated on the upper level near the food court. Bill Garrison obtained a supply for the New Issues Service.

Southeast Indiana Transit serves Lawrenceburg, Aurora, and Greendale, but the office is situated in the little town of Dillsboro which is about 7 miles west of Aurora. This issue is used by seniors 50¢, and adults \$1.00 alike. The bus driver recognizes his patrons. Larry Kemper reports some of the IN 540 B tokens have dabs of red paint on each side. He has a small quantity available for 50¢ each +SASE. These were initially used to denote senior use by the Authority and do not warrant a separate listing. IN 540 B is recently obsolete and is replaced by IN 540 C. Larry obtained both listings for our N.I.S. Note the small α mintmark on 540 B. This is the new style mintmark for Osborne Coinage.

The token we decided to list as MA 1000 D was mentioned on page 129 of the December 1999 Fare Box, and offered by our Editor to interested collectors. Bill Garrison obtained some extras, and wrecked one to determine the base metal so that we could list it.

We listed five plastic Morr Trans tokens in July 2000. Joe Radomski reported that his MN 460 A had black lettering. Bill Garrison researched, and reports that when the original order of tokens was received by the local authority all five tokens had black printing. This was fine except the contrast on the blue token was poor. The tokens were used briefly while blue tokens with white printing (460 A) were ordered. When received, most specimens of 460 F were destroyed. Hence the *** value.

The Utica, NY, senior fare is 75¢. Tokens are sold at 10 for \$5.00. The N.I.S. has a supply for its members.

Charlotte, NC, for the third straight year, has issued a token good for parking and trolley and bus fare. The regular issue was struck by Roger Williams Mint. The Presentation Piece silver listing was offered to collectors by Fred Sader in this past October Fare Box. It was struck by Silvertowne Mint. The N.I.S. will handle the NC 160 H for its members.

Choanoke Public Transportation Authority, situated in northeastern North Carolina, provides service to Halifax, Bertie, Hertford, and Northampton counties. We know for sure the listed woodnik is currently in use in Scotland Neck, and may be used elsewhere. Tokens are sold by local businesses and agencies. Bill Boncek obtained a supply for our New Issues Service.

I think Louis Crawford located the Seymour, TX, token on the internet. We lack any background information.

Several collectors last year sent rubbings of the token we now list as VA 895 F. Tokens are given out by hotels to guests so they can ride the trolley on the strip. Bob Schneider, who obtained a supply for our N.I.S., reports that there have been four tokens issued in the past ten years. We assume the other three are VA 895 B C and D.

Ed Bawden reported, and Bill Garrison obtained a supply of, the Waterloo, WI, carousel token for N.I.S. members. We lack any background information.

THE 2001 EDITION OF CANADIAN ARCADE & MACHINE TOKENS HANDBOOK
A Review by Jerry Remick

The 2001 edition of this book, by Jack Sauchenko, was released early in November, 2000. It is available at \$29.95 +GST or HST to Canadian residents, and \$24.95 to U.S. residents from Jack Sauchenko (13559 124 A Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, T5L 3B4). A smaller 5.5x8.5" pocket sized format, bound by plastic coils, of 96 pages, is available with no pictures, and condensed print. This is so the collector can carry his stock records to various places of business, such as dealers, coin shows, conventions, etc. This booklet is available postpaid at \$13.95 +GST or HST in Canada and \$11.95 U.S. to U.S. residents. The larger 150-page handbook with cardboard cover is produced by photocopy on 8½x11" pages with a plastic coil binding.

The text lists 2,632 Canadian arcade, machine, transit, parking, bridge, amusement and related tokens and their varieties. A good listing of Chuck E. Cheese tokens is included. There is a short listing of tokens that are used in Canada, but which are from United States municipalities, as well as a section on numbered tokens. A short line before each entry allows the collector to add a check mark or number for inventory purposes.

Photographs of most tokens are included in the Handbook. For each token there is a short description of both sides and data on the token's denomination, date (if needed), composition, weight, diameter, edge type and a valuation. Mintage and mint are given where known. Tokens are listed under the municipality in which they were issued. Municipalities are listed alphabetically under the province or territory in which they are situated.

A 12-page index at the front of the Handbook and Booklet lists the tokens alphabetically by issuer, with the issuer's municipality and province or territory in which it is situated on the same line. This listing is primarily to help the collector locate the origin of the token.

NEW ISSUES SERVICE

The AVA New Issues Service is one of the most valuable assets of your membership. It provides new issues of transportation tokens at a nominal mark-up over their cost to its members. You send in an advance deposit or \$30 or so, and this is drawn down upon as tokens are sent to you. Scores of new issues are distributed by our N.I.S. each year. There are now several openings available (membership is strictly limited because the Manager can only handle that many), so if you're interested in joining, write to N.I.S. Manager Bill Sowell at P.O. Box 1235 - Cathedral City, CA 92235-1235.

I need, and will pay *TOP*
DOLLAR for these **HORSECAR**
TOKENS for my collection:

1. Winchester City RY Co. KY #970-A;
2. C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE "Real Estate" #540-H;
3. C. H. Street RY Co. - Lincoln NE #540-J;

Robert Rhue
P. O. Box 371437
Denver, CO 80237
303-671-0650

SUPPLEMENT #36 TO CAR WASH TOKENS OF NORTH AMERICA

BY HAROLD V. FORD

COLORADO

Littleton 620

LITTLETON CAR WASH 50¢ FREE WASH (incuse)

E o A 30 Sd (blank) (12 sided)

5.00

Thornton 850

YORK STREET CARWASH (STAR)

B B 23 Sd 2300 East 120th Ave Thornton, Colo (star) (8mm stainless steel center)

1.50

IOWA

Fort Dodge 380

SPEEDEE CAR WASH 533 SOUTH 25th FORT DODGE, IOWA SELF-SERVE
ONE WASH CYCLE rwm

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind) .50

Hampton 420

KLEAN-RITE CARWASH TOKEN hh

B Bz 25 Sd (cartoon auto facing left)(stars)

.50

Perry 760

WEST END CAR WASH 301 WEST WILLIS AVE. PERRY, IOWA 50220 rwm

B Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token (antique car)

.50

MICHIGAN

Mount Pleasant 670

RHYNO'S CARWASH MT. PLEASANT & SHEPHERD, MI. (RHYNO on side
of BUILDING) rwm

A Bz 25 Sd Carwash Token rwm (truck, car, van with horiz. lines behind) .50

New Hudson 698

NEW HUDSON CAR WASH SELF-SERVE BAYS 56090 GRAND RIVER AVE.
(ANTIQUE CAR)A Bz 25 Sd New Hudson Car Wash Good For One Car Wash 810-437-4822 hh
(antique car)

.50

NEBRASKA

Fremont 360 (ex unid 468) (CWTNIS)

SAWYER CAR WASH (incuse)

F Bz 27 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm

.50

OHIO

Chillicothe 160

SUNRUSH CAR WASH WESTERN AVE. CILLICOTHE, OH (SPORTS CAR
above SUN)

B B 25 Sd Carwash Token Non Refundable No Cash Value hm

1.00

South Zanesville 827

GOOD FOR-5-MINUTES AT SOFSRA MAYSVILLE PIKE S.ZANESVILLE, OHIO

A o WM 27 Sd (Sofspra)(Rev A)(1,000 struck 8/11/64)

7.50

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City 640

AN-SON CAR CARE CENTER

D o B 24 2-pc (Bear's face)(shaped as a Bear's head)(incuse)

5.00

= SUPPLEMENT #JVP-27 TO FEISEL'S FIFTH =

PENNSYLVANIA

CONNELLSVILLE-3220 (Formerly PTUN-3104)

INTEGRA / BANK

A B 25 Sd Parking / Token (auto) 1.00
(R: Edge has...)
a. (tiny dots)
b. (dentillations 0.5mm long)
c. (dentillations 1.0mm long)

ERIE-3360 (Reported by M Simon)

CASEY JONES / TAVERN / ERIE, PA.

C o B 23 Sd Parking / Token 15.00

PITTSBURGH-3765-(Reported by I Reuben)

BEST / PARKING / RWM (WM-pltd)

P B 25 Sd No / Cash / Value / RWM 2.00

PTMS

GROUP-3070(Reported by E Bawden)

CTR / SYSTEMS ® (crescent moon)

V B 23 Sd (blank) .50

CANADA ONTARIO

BELLEVILLE-3075

DOWNTOWN / BELLEVILLE / PARKING

A B 25 Sd Parking / Token (auto)(WM pltd) .50

GUELPH-3325 (Reported by D J Smith)

CITY OF GUELPH / PARK / DOWNTOWN / PARKING TOKEN

D B 24 Sd Parking Value / 25 / Cents / Downtown / Guelph (logo) .50

NEW BRUNSWICK

FREDERICTON-3300 (Reported by J Ciecka)

ONE HOUR / FREDERICTON / DOWNTOWN / PARKING (buildings)

C Pb 34 Sd Garages: Kings Place / Brunswick St. / Frederick Sq. /
York St. / Carpark (O&R: All white imprints) 1.50

ONE HOUR / FREDERICTON / DOWNTOWN / FREE / PARKING (buildings)

D Pb 34 Sd (As C) 1.50

= PARKING TOKEN NOTES BY JOE PERNICANO =

The Integra tokens are given out by the bank (formerly known as NATIONAL CITY BANK). I do believe these tokens are in use at other Integra banks in and/or around the Pittsburgh area.

Marvin Simon comes up with a neat old token.

Irwin Reuben visited Pittsburgh a few weeks ago and stopped by ST Claire Hospital. He found that they were using PTMS-3070-Lb, a generic token with a clown head and of course the P token. I could not obtain any info as to the significance of the inscription. Parking costs \$2.00.

Back in Supp#24 I mentioned a token in my notes by Ed Bawden. I have since verified that the token is a gate manufacturer's stock item.

Belleville has instituted a parking plan with downtown business people by distributing tokens with purchases

The tokens from Guelph can be used in any parking meter or lot downtown. Tokens are distributed by the merchants. It has the equivalent of 25c cash. This info from brochures sent by Don for which we thank him. Don has also provided a lead so that Karl will try for PATNIS.

Back in Supp#23, I mentioned that the University of Houston, Hilton Hotel was using tokens. Frank Joines, Jr sent me one of the tokens in question. It's a generic non PT. Frank also reports that the token in use on the campus of the University of Houston is PTMS-3080-L.

= J V PERNICANO 58 SONIA LANE BROOMALL, PA 19008 =

AUCTION OF PENNSYLVANIA TOKENS FROM THE DETZEL COLLECTION

1. All bids must be postmarked no later than FEBRUARY 7
2. Bids under Catalog value WILL NOT be considered unless specially noted.
3. Please bid by LOT # ONLY.
4. Bids over \$5 will be reduced to 10% above the 2nd high bid.
5. Successful bidders are responsible for postage and insurance, and must remit prior to shipment, if requested.
6. Varieties listed are from the Godsoe Varieties Catalog.

MAIL BIDS TO: Joel J. Reznick, 116 Meyerson Way, Wheeling, IL 60090-2101

1. 10 Ab	51. 146 C	101. 360 C	151. 525 A	201. 660 Aa	251. 840 Ec	301. 990 Bb
2. 10 Ba	52. 150 A	102. 360 Db	152. 525 Bb	202. 660 Ab	252. 840 F	302. 990 Bc
3. 10 Cb	53. 150 B	103. 360 Eb	153. 525 Bc	203. 675 B	253. 840 Ga	303. 990 Bd
4. 10 Da	54. 155 A	104. 375 A	154. 525 Da	204. 675 C	254. 840 Gb	304. 990 C
5. 10 Ea	55. 155 B	105. 400 C	155. 525 Db	205. 675 D	255. 840 Ha	305. 995 A
6. 10 F	56. 165 Ga	106. 400 D	156. 525 Ec	206. 695 Aa	256. 850 Ab	306. 995 B
7. 15 F	57. 165 Gb	107. 420 A	157. 525 Fa	207. 705 Aa	257. 860 A	307. 995 C
8. 15 Ha	58. 165 Ia	108. 440 A	158. 525 Pb	208. 705 Ab	258. 865 A	308. 995 D
9. 15 Ie	59. 175 A	109. 425 Ba	159. 525 Ga	209. 705 B plain	259. 870 Aa	309. 997 A
10. 15 J	60. 175 B	110. 425 Ca	160. 525 H	210. 705 B coated	260. 870 Ab	310. 997 B
11. 15 L	61. 180 A	111. 445 A	161. 525 I	211. 705 C	261. 870 B	311. 997 C
12. 15 M	62. 180 B	112. 445 B	162. 525 J	212. 705 Db	262. 875 B	312. 997 D
13. 15 O	63. 180 D	113. 445 D	163. 525 K	213. 705 Ea	263. 920 Ba	313. 997 E
14. 15 P	64. 180 Pc	114. 445 E	164. 525 L	214. 720 A	264. 920 Bb	314. 997 F
15. 25 Qa	65. 180 G	115. 455 A	165. 525 M	215. 723 A	265. 930 A	315. 997 G
16. 15 Re	66. 180 H	116. 455 D	166. 525 N	216. 725 Ba sm dan	266. 930 B	316. 997 H
17. 15 Rf	67. 180 I	117. 455 Ea	167. 526 Ia	217. 725 Da	267. 930 C	317. 997 I
18. 20 B	68. 190 A	118. 455 Eb	168. 545 A	218. 725 H	268. 930 D	318. 997 J
19. 25 A	69. 190 B	119. 455 F	169. 545 Ba	219. 725 I	269. 935 A	319. 997 K
20. 25 C	70. 190 Ca ckd die	120. 455 G	170. 555 A	220. 725 Jb	270. 935 B	320. 997 L
21. 25 D	71. 195 B	121. 455 Ha	171. 565 A	221. 750 G	271. 940 B	321. 997 M
22. 25 Ea	72. 195 Cb	122. 458 A	172. 565 C	222. 750 W	272. 945 A	322. 997 N
23. 25 G	73. 195 F	123. 460 A	173. 565 D	223. 750 Xa	273. 945 B	323. 997 O
24. 65 C	74. 195 Hb	124. 460 B	174. 565 E	224. 750 AB	274. 945 C	324. 997 P
25. 65 D	75. 195 L	125. 460 D	175. 570 A	225. 750 AK	275. 950 A	325. 997 Q
26. 65 H	76. 195 Ma	126. 463 A	176. 570 B	226. 750 AL	276. 950 B	
27. 65 J	77. 195 Mb	127. 465 A	177. 575 A	227. 750 AM	277. 950 C	
28. 65 K	78. 200 Aa	128. 485 A	178. 575 B	228. 750 AN	278. 950 Gb	
29. 65 L	79. 200 Ab	129. 490 A	179. 575 E	229. 750 AO	279. 950 H	
30. 65 N thick	80. 200 B	130. 495 G	180. 590 A	230. 750 AR	280. 950 Ia	
31. 65 N thin	81. 200 Da	131. 495 H	181. 590 B	231. 750 AS	281. 950 Ic	
32. 65 O	82. 200 E	132. 495 I	182. 605 Db	232. 750 AW	282. 950 Ja	
33. 65 R	83. 200 F	133. 495 J	183. 605 Ea	233. 750 AXb	283. 950 Jb crk die	
34. 65 S	84. 235 A	134. 495 L	184. 605 Ec	234. 750 AY	284. 950 K	
35. 85 A	85. 235 B	135. 495 M	185. 605 Ed	235. 765 Xe	285. 950 La	
36. 85 Ba	86. 263 C	136. 495 N	186. 605 F	236. 765 Xg	286. 955 A	
37. 105 Aa	87. 265 A	137. 495 Oa	187. 605 Gc	237. 765 AA	287. 970 A	
38. 105 Ab	88. 295 A	138. 495 Ob	188. 605 J	238. 765 AC	288. 975 A	
39. 105 B	89. 295 Ba	139. 495 P	189. 605 K	239. 775 Ba	289. 980 Ac	
40. 110 A	90. 305 Ea	140. 495 Q	190. 605 L	240. 775 Bb	290. 985 C	
41. 110 Bb	91. 305 Eb	141. 495 R	191. 605 M	241. 780 A	291. 985 D	
42. 110 C	92. 320 Aa	142. 495 Sa	192. 605 N	242. 780 B	292. 985 Ea	
43. 110 E	93. 325 Ab	143. 495 Sb	193. 615 Aa	243. 780 C	293. 985 F	
44. 110 F	94. 325 Ba	144. 495 T	194. 615 Ab	244. 785 Ba	294. 985 Ga	
45. 125 B	95. 325 Bb	145. 495 U	195. 615 B	245. 785 Bb	295. 985 H	
46. 135 A	96. 325 E	146. 495 V	196. 630 Ab	246. 785 D	296. 985 J	
47. 135 Bb	97. 340 D	147. 495 W	197. 630 Bb	247. 785 E	297. 985 K	
48. 145 A	98. 340 E	148. 495 X	198. 645 Ab	248. 785 J	298. 990 Aa	
49. 146 A	99. 360 A	149. 515 B	199. 650 B	249. 815 A	299. 990 Ab	
50. 146 B	100. 360 B	150. 515 C	200. 655 A	250. 840 Ea	300. 990 Ba	

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01 AUCTION (CLOSE FEB. 7)	23 SALE	23 SALE
Philadelphia Rapid TRansit Co., 8 cents, with Independence Hall depicted on the reverse. Aluminum, octagonal token as described on page 481 of vol. II of the Atwood-Coffee catalogue. Al Zaika P. O. Box 65 Bellmawr NJ 08099-0065	A, B; 270-A, B; 285-Ia, Ja, K; 495-H, I; 610-A; [MN] 370-B; [MT] 480-Ib, K, M; [NC] 700-G; [NJ] 912-A; [NY] 410-E; 745-B; 905-Oa, Ob; [TX] 810-AV; [VA] 885-A; [WA] 840-D; [WI] 620-E. chuckb@vh.net Chuck Benjamin 42 Kingwood Drive Poughkeepsie NY 12601-5405	[NV] 500-A SOFSPRA car wash token \$3.00 and SASE. Trades for other car wash tokens of equal catalogue value considered. Please write first. Al Zaika P. O. Box 65 Bellmawr NJ 08099-0065
[NB] 540-O (cat. \$20.00). Rocco A. Diacomio 42 Sunset Drive Mt. Holly NJ 08060-1915	Parking token collection for sale. No longer interested in collecting these. Will sell over 600 piece collection for 80% of catalogue value plus postage. Write for more details. John M. Hoffmann 8334 Heron Circle Ooltewah TN 37363-9794	Tokens at \$1.00 each plus postage. [CT] 290-K. [NY] 780-J; 630-BE; [CA] 760-F; [PA] 15-K; 945-A, B, C; [MD] 60-AV; [WI] 220-F, G; 940-G [IL] 150-Z. AC. Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934
Best price and postage: [AL] 120-L, M; [MO] 370-Eb; 440-Q; 441-A, B; [MI] 5-K, N, O, P; 60-F; 700-A; 885-C; [MN] 540-AC, AD; [MD] 60-AB, AR; [NY] 355-C, D; 631-L, S; 735-B; 780-J; 640-A; [NE] 305-B, D; 540-R. Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934	[MO] 910-I \$7.50; [WI] 790-L \$3.50; Red-blue ration tokens \$1.00 each; [MI] 75-K \$1.00 each. Various trade tokens. Send SASE for list with order. E-mail: schoolbusben@cs.com "School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924	Car wash token [PA] 943-A (Warminster) for salve at \$3.00 each ppd. Bob Nolan 3964 Drexel Road Pittsburgh PA 15212-1512
23 SALE		13 different US TT's, 7 different PR TT's, One pattern. Enclose. Send Only \$8.00. Pedro Chiclana Rosario 220 St. J.A. 18 Country Club Carolina PR 00982-
At 2X catalogue value plus postage: [FL] 900-I, M; [MI] 30-B; 68-A, C; 75-N; 165- (continued next column)		

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25 SALE	30 TRADE	30 TRADE
<p>At catalogue value plus postage: [TN] 600-R; [NM] 40-M; [MI] 500-AG; [ID] 65-A. These are AVA tour tokens.</p> <p>Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718</p>	<p>Let's trade! Have all AVA types (including a few real estate tokens). Want TT's. Send your list for mine.</p> <p>John Ciecka 1540 Society Hill Dr. Bensalem PA 19020-3689</p>	<p>[IL] 130-D; 150-AG; 430-D, E; [IA] 150-E; [AK] 50-G, H; 400--C, D; [WI] 220-A, B, E; [PA] 360-A, B, C, plus about a 1000 TT's.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>
<p>Unloading all dupes at catalogue plus postage. Lots of TT's added to this list. No high priced ones. Send SASE NOW.</p> <p>Ralph E. Brown 1453 Puanakau Street Honolulu HI 96818-1934</p>	<p>Have supply of car wash tokens [WA] 480-C. Will trade for any car wash I need with \$1.50 value or more. Send trade list if you need one.</p> <p>Gilbert Vogel 1010 Douglas C-4 Longview WA 98632-</p>	<p>I have a box of better Parking tokens that I will trade for [PA] parking that I need, or will sell. Send your want list.</p> <p>Larry Dziubek P. O. Box 9741 Pittsburgh PA 15229-0741</p>
26 SALE/TRADE		
<p>"Carousel for Missoula" [MT] 660- Have extras of H, I, J, K, L, M, N. Send your requests by postcard or E-mail: tokenman2000@aol.com Advise if you have any extra carousel TT's to trade. Cost: 50c each plus SASE. Do not send money. Only a few of each available.</p> <p>Gene Hurford 1527 Tulip Court Longmont CO 80501-2454</p>	<p>I have a complete TT 25 years worth of collectors tokens available for trading only for any available items from Puerto Rico. Need milk tokens, military tokens from established military bases in Puerto Rico. Also need horse track racing tokens and old Haciendas employees payroll token. Trade list available.</p> <p>Pdero Chiclana Rosario 220 St. J.A. 18 Country Club Carolina PR 00982-</p>	<p>One used AVA #1 Roland Atwood 1951 Air Mail 60 cancelled Alexandria Virginia Biceentennial stamped envelope with contents for any 1 US 75c catalogued TT. Also 1 similar originated envelope deal with 2 cancelled 3c Harlan Stone stamps instead.</p> <p>Bill Boncek 5208 Sydney Street Port Orange FL 32127-5333</p>
<p>I will trade tokens from my collection such as [GA] 750-B for rare [OR] & [PA] tokens that I need.</p> <p>Larry Dziubek P. O. Box 9741 Pittsburgh PA 15229-0741</p>	<p>Two for One! Send up to 30 different transportation tokens plus \$2.00 for postage, and I will send you two for one transportation tokens of my choice. There may be some duplicates.</p> <p>schoolbusben@cs.com "School Bus" Ben 216 Hampton Road Benton Harbor MI 49022-5924</p>	<p>40 WANTED</p> <p>Car wash tokens from the following states: AL, AK, AR, GA, ME, MS, MT, NH, NM, RI, SC, SD, TN, VT. I will pay well for any ones I need. E-mail: bobcarwash@hotmail.com</p> <p>Bob Nolan 3964 Drexel Road Pittsburgh PA 15212-1512</p>

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Former AVA member Seth Shaw (232 Valley Road - Lebanon, PA 17042) would like to sell his TT collection, consisting of 1,038 tokens cataloguing \$362.65. He will sell it for \$300 +postage. If you send him \$2 +SASE with 55c on it he will send you a complete listing. First come first served. He's also selling his woonik and gaming token collections. If interested write him directly. Or call him at 717-964-0506 or e-mail at Renaissance@aol.com

40 WANTED	40 WANTED	40 WANTED
<p>I'll pay 4X catalogue for the following TT's: [AR] 105-A, B; 885-G thru G; [HI] 330-A, B; [IL] 10-B, C; 130-A, B; 150-S; 455-A thru F; 460-E thru H, J, K; [MA] 45-A; 115-J, K; [OH] 165-G, H, O, P; [PA] 495-S, T; [VA] 20-D, E, F, H, I, J; 500-C, E, G; 620-C; 720-A, B, C.</p> <p>Ricky Curtis 245 McCarty Road Fredericksburgh VA 22405-5708</p>	<p>Transportation tickets, passes, and other fare forms. Pre-1940. I'm eager to buy or trade for them. Phone: (919) 468-5510.</p> <p>Dan Benice P. O. Box 5708 Cary NC 27512-5708</p>	<p>I need these tokens and will trade items of equal value for them. [PA] 20-A; 310-A7; 320-C; 495-D; 905-B; 965-H, I.</p> <p>Larry Dziubek P. O. Box 9741 Pittsburgh PA 15229-0741</p>
<p>Transportation tokens ENT, telephone tokens US, Canada, ENT Foreign. Please send your list.</p> <p>Pedratscher Andreas Salernstr. 12 I-39040 Vahrn (BZ) Italy</p>	<p>[NY] 150-Ca, Cb; 160-D; 310-J; 655-Ba; 315-B, C, D; 875-AH, AI; [TN] 120-M; 600-P. Have: [SC] 155-A; 430-E, F, G to trade.</p> <p>Joe Studebaker 2614 Legare Street Beaufort SC 29902-5934</p>	<p>NOTE FROM MANAGERS</p>
	<p>TT's that haven't been sent out by the NIS. I believe I may be able to help you out on some others.</p> <p>Bob Kelley 2689 Cliff Road North Bend OH 45052-9718</p>	<p>For the several members that have asked us if we have an e-mail address, our answer is "NO" we do not have one. We don't even have a computer.</p>

APPLICATIONS. FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 3036 LAWRENCE GASTON, JR. - 13240 Meander Cove Drive - Germantown, MD 20874
Age 55; Auditor. Collects U.S. (Secretary) /-3729
- 3037 LES V. McCALIP - 1607 East Taylor - Bloomington, Illinois 61701
Age 57; Nuclear Power Plant Inspector. Collects U.S. (Weber)
- 3038 STEWART CHANG - 6320 Arlington Blvd. - Richmond, California 94805
Age 47; Banker. Collects U.S. (Bail)
- 3039 ROBERT D. WHITE - 3430 S.W. 7th Avenue - Cape Coral, Florida 33914
Age 53; Maintenance Supervisor. Collects U.S., Canada. (Coffee)

REINSTATEMENT TO MEMBERSHIP

- 2848 José Luis Rubio - Calle Enrique Muñoz 810 - 11.300 Montevideo, Uruguay

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 2880 David germ - 4986 Porter Road - North Olmsted, OH 44070-3162
- 2215 Robert Hastings - 1200 S. Mays Street #283 - Round Rock, Texas 78664-6752
- 2482 Jim McNutt - 11678 Boardwalk Lane - Fishers, Indiana 46038
- 1849 Bill Orne - 4559 Juniper Place - Evans, Georgia 30809-4534
- 1746 Jerome Schaeper Jr. - 3466 Meadowlark Drive - Edgewood, Kentucky 41018-2608

AUCTION OF FOREIGN TRANSPORTATION TOKENS

Northern Ireland 160 AS AU CA DB CE; SCOTLAND 30 AF AH AK AO AR AV BA BB, 300 B AA AG AK, 360 AG AI AJ
AW BA BD BK BL BN BO BP BR BS CF CG CI, 420 P AF AU AW CE CF DA DG; WALES 30 AB AE AK, 640 AA, 760 AF
AG AK AQ AR AS AT; VENEZUELA 220 A, 240 A.

HAROLD V. FORD - 43 ARROYO DRIVE - MORAGA, CA 94556

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